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Huddlow, Mass.
March, 14, 1958.

J. Edgar Hoover,
Director of F. B. I.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

To my mind, there are and
have been five outstanding great
Americans in our time. They stand out
from all the rest because of their
great service to America. Able, honest,
courageous, dependable and sincere.
These five are: Herbert Hoover,
J. Edgar Hoover, General Douglas
MacArthur, and the late senators
Robert A. Taft and Joseph R. McCarthy.

With great pride I would like
to let you know that I have

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Ludlow, Mass.
March 14, 1958

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Director of FBI
Washington, D. C.

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With great pride I would like to let you know that I have recently purchased and just finished reading your wonderful book, "Masters of Deceit." I found it to be very absorbing and interesting reading.

It should be read by every American at this time, and probably wake some of them up to the greatest danger facing our country today.

I am very proud to own this book and certainly will treasure it always.

Very Sincerely,

/s/ Mrs.

and family

Alden Street

Ludlow, Mass.

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Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr *gsk*
Mr. Nease *gsk*
Mr. Parsons *gsk*
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tamm _____
Mr. Trotter *gsk*
Mr. Jones *gsk*
Mr. Clayton *gsk*
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Miss Holmes _____
Miss Gandy _____

March 24, 1958

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Mrs. [redacted]
Alden Street
Ludlow, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

Thank you sincerely for the most generous remarks in your letter of March 14, 1958.

I am certainly pleased that you found my book, "Masters of Deceit," to be of interest. You may be sure that your thoughtfulness is deeply appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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March 24, 1958

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Mr. [REDACTED]
211 Smith Street
Jersey Shore, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Your letter of March 17, 1958, has been received, and I was certainly pleased to learn that you found "Masters of Deceit" to be of interest.

It was most kind of you to afford me the benefit of your observations and suggestions, and I assure you I am very grateful for your generous remarks.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

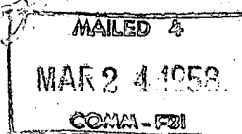
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Jersey Shore, Pa.
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Mr. Hoover, I am proud that we have men like you working for the good welfare of this nation, the United States of America.

Respectively yours,

s/

[Redacted Signature]

P. S. I have followed your career from its beginning. I am almost as old as you as I will be fifty-five on my next birthday. MRB.

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[Redacted Signature]

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: March 25, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT:

SACRED HEART CHURCH
310 FOURTH STREET NORTH
STAPLES, MINNESOTA

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By letter dated March 17, 1958, captioned individual advised the Director of his disappointment in reading "Masters of Deceit," Mr. Hoover's book on communism. [] states that the Director's "failures" to reveal something startling about communist infiltration into our national institutions are tantamount to lies of omission. He goes on to comment that he is putting the Director down as "one who omits facts that are inconvenience or embarrassing, regardless of their informative potential." Bufiles reflect no record identifiable with [] or any variation of that name.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the letter not be acknowledged.

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SACRED HEART CHURCH

310 FOURTH STREET NORTH
STAPLES, MINNESOTA

March 17, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Henry Holt and Company Inc.,
383 Madison Ave.,
New York 17,
N. Y.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Nease _____
Mr. Parsons _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tamm _____
Mr. Trotter _____
Mr. Clayton _____
Tele. Room _____
Mr. Holloman _____
Miss Gandy _____

Dear Mr. Hoover:

After examining your newly published book, Masters of Deceit, I am left with a feeling of disappointment. It seems to me to reveal nothing about Communism that a hundred and one other books, some written as long ago as in the 1920's, reveal.

I had hoped your work would be such that one could use it to help awaken our American public with the fact that the Communist party has wielded great influence in shaping the destinies of our beloved country, by its infiltration of American journalism, the supposedly respectable press and radio, and government to the extent that the U. S. Senate went on record apologizing to an Owen Lattimore and censored Senator Mc Carthy in response to the demands of the greatest Communist smear of all times.

These omissions are tantamount to lies of omission, since they lull our people into a sense of false security. It will do nothing to counteract the propaganda favorable to Communist causes by an Edward R. Murrow or a Minneapolis Tribune. Until the double talk of so many betrayers of American freedom is linked in the public mind with its Communist causes, the Communist Masters of Deceit remain also our Masters. In spite of the respect I have always had for you and your work, and the hopes I had in your fearless integrity, as one who knows what I know, I have to put you down as also who omits facts that are inconvenient or embarrassing, regardless of their informative potential. Your fear of being accused of Mc Carthyism must be very deep-seated and very great. This is sad for our nation and the department of security that you head.

Regretfully, yet res

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310-4th St. North
Staples, Minn
1958

John to Nease memo
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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

March 24, 1958

Mr. Tolson _____
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Mr. Holloman _____
Miss Holmes _____
Miss Gandy _____

I have received a personal note from SA John Duffy, of the Phoenix Field Division, in which he mentions that Mr. [redacted] the San Francisco Giants' Baseball Team, is a friend of the Director and also a personal friend of Mr. Duffy. Mr. Duffy stated he knows that Mr. [redacted] would deeply appreciate an autographed copy of "Masters of Deceit," from the Director. Mr. Duffy enclosed a check to cover cost of this book and it is attached.

According to Mr. Duffy, Mr. [redacted] address until April 4th will be Room 553, Hotel Adams, Phoenix, Arizona, and after April 4th, he will be in care of the San Francisco Giants, Seals Stadium, San Francisco, California. Mr. Duffy indicated, however, that if it is desired, the book can be delivered to Mr. [redacted] at Phoenix.

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Mrs. [redacted]
Apartment 417
Wellington Hotel Apartments
958 West Seventh Street
Los Angeles 17, California

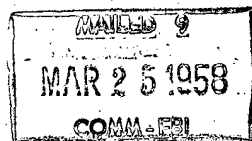
Dear Mr. [redacted]

It was thoughtful of Mrs. [redacted] and you
to write on March 16, 1958, regarding my book, "Masters
of Deceit," and I want to thank you very much for your
kind comments and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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MAIL ROOM ☐

Wellington Hotel Apts,
#417
953 West 7th St.,
Los Angeles, 17 Calif.
March 15, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
F. B. I.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

We are indeed grateful
that at last we have access
to such a book as, "Masters
of Deceit," and written by
one of authority. We have just
read an article by [redacted]
L. A.

[redacted] in the Sunday B
Examiner. Be assured we will
not waste any time in procuring
your book. EX-135

we thank you for your
[signature]

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As we know you² are one true
American, and a mighty brave
man! Tho we are in the eleventh
hour of this most solemn time
in history, there may yet be time
to save our precious freedom!

yours for boundless success

Mr & Mrs



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI

DATE: 3/10/58

FROM: SAC, Memphis (80-15)

SUBJECT: BOOK REVIEW - "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. Boardman _____
Mr. Belmont _____
Mr. Mohr _____
Mr. Nease _____
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Mr. Tamm _____
Mr. Trotter _____
Mr. Tele. Room _____
Miss Gandy _____

There is enclosed herewith a book review which appeared in the Memphis Commercial Appeal, Sunday, March 9, 1958. The review was made by [redacted] Associate Editor.

It is suggested that a letter of appreciation be extended to Mr. [redacted]

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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We thank God for you, as we know you are one true American, and a mighty brave man! Tho we are in the eleventh hour of this most solemn time in hystory, there may yet be time to save our priceless freedom!

Yours for boundless success,

s/ Mr. & Mrs.

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Mr. Trotter ☒
Mr. ~~Wicks~~ ☒
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Hoover Explains Red Conspiracy, Advises How To Fight It In U.S.

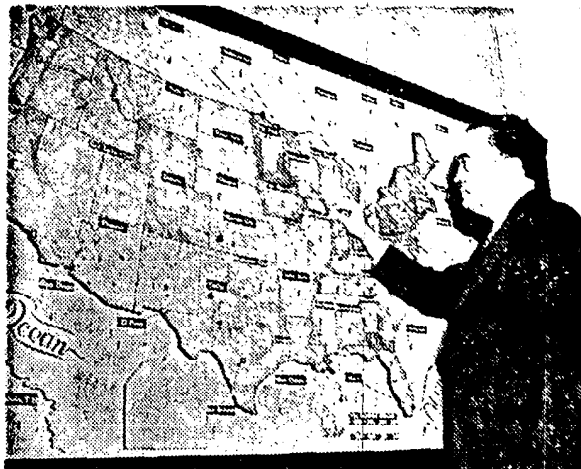
**FBI's Director Draws
From Many Years To
Expose Peril**

MASTERS OF DECEIT: The story of Communism in America And How To Fight it, by J. Edgar Hoover. Henry Holt and Company. \$5.

Reviewed by JACK CARLEY, Staff, The Commercial Appeal.

IT IS unlikely that any one but the author could have written this definitive and timely work on the Communist conspiracy and its operations in the United States. We say that advisedly because Mr. Hoover's definitions and conclusions are based on almost a lifetime of observation of Communism as director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

It is this fact which gives "Masters of Deceit" its validity. Actually, the work is a monumental but easily read and understood textbook on an international criminal undertaking which poses such a threat to free world cultures. As such, it will be a source book for serious students and equally for those who have a direct responsibility for the nation's safeguarding. It is an exposition of fact which is completely objective in presentation and in delineation of methods with which the conspiracy and its agent can be countered successfully.



KEY POINTS IN DEFENSE—J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, studies a map of the United States which shows how his men are deployed in the struggle against communism. In his new book, "Masters of Deceit," Mr. Hoover exposes the range and intensity of Red activities in this country.

THE COMMERCIAL APPEAL
MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE

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Its special timeliness lies in the fact that the current Soviet diplomatic "line" is one of pseudo sweetness and light and because too many Americans are construing the decline in Communist Party membership as progressive weakening of the conspiratorial strength in the United States. The opposite, of course, is true. Commenting on this in "Masters of Deceit," Mr. Hoover says:

"In recent years there has been a tendency to discount the menace of domestic communists solely because of a decline in party membership. In fact, some have gone so far as to say, '... the party ... is almost over.' Let's examine the statement:

"In 1922, when Communist Party membership reached 12,400, William Z. Foster (chairman emeritus of the party's national committee) said: 'We no longer measure the importance of revolutionary organizations by size. In some places where there are only one or two men, more results are obtained than where they have larger organizations.' The insignificance of numbers has been proved in every country where communism has gained control, Russia, of course, not excepted.

Top Secrets Not Bared

The most avid readers of "Masters of Deceit" will probably be communist functionaries not too concerned about what the author may have to say about them but hoping that he may reveal of the content of FBI files covering well more than three decades of incessant and meticulous investigative effort pertaining to communism. They can save themselves trouble by reading the foreword for there Mr. Hoover says:

"Obviously this book does not pretend to disclose a body of material known only to the FBI. What it does express is a hope that all of us may develop a shared body of rudimentary knowledge about communism: a body of knowledge that we dare not be without.

"It attempts, in almost primer form, to set down certain fundamentals of the day to day operations of the Communist Party, U.S.A.: how a meeting is conducted; how a top party official lives; what goes on in the underground; how discipline is enforced; how party members collect money, attend indoctrination schools, hand out propaganda leaflets. Party members are shown organizing agitation campaigns, infiltrating noncommunist organizations, and manipulating communist fronts. The best way to appreciate the nature and objectives of an enemy is to observe him in action."

Enemy Of The Free World

Mr. Hoover has more than succeeded admirably in setting out in exact detail the mind and mechanics of this free world enemy. In its authoritativeness and presentation, "Masters of Deceit" measures up in every way to the perfectionist standards the FBI's director sets for

the organization he has developed and led for so many achieving years.

"The Communist Party," says Mr. Hoover, "... is a state within a state. The party's objective is to produce a 'politically mature' comrade—'communist man' who will work ceaselessly for the revolution that would make our United States part of the Soviet system."

Copies of "Masters of Deceit" should be in every college library and every high school class room. It should be on the desk of every member of the Congress and every cabinet officer. It should be read by every American who believes in freedom and has a passion to stay free. It is that important.

84.07 DANIELS STREET
JAMAICA 35, NEW YORK

March 22, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Thank you so much for sending
me a copy of your book "Masters of
Deceit." I am finding it very
good reading and appreciate very much
your thinking of me.

Sincerely,

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MASTERS OF DECEIT

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Miss Gandy ☐

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 3/20/58

FROM : L. V. Boardman *LVB*

SUBJECT: Autographing book "Masters of Deceit"

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I am forwarding herewith a copy of your new book, "Masters of Deceit," and would appreciate it very much if you could autograph it to

Edwin B. Haakinson.

Mr. Haakinson is a neighbor of mine, at 2765 North Quincy Street, Arlington, is one of the old-time Associated Press reporters who covers the Senate, on the Hill, for the Associated Press, and has a very wide acquaintance amongst the Senators because of his news coverage. I am well acquainted with Mr. Haakinson and have always found him to be very complimentary of the Bureau and its work.

Enclosure

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 3/20/58

FROM : L. V. Boardman *LVB*SUBJECT: Autographing book "Masters of Deceit"

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I am forwarding herewith a copy of your new book, "Masters of Deceit," and would appreciate it very much if you could autograph it to

[Redacted]

Mrs. [Redacted] is a prominent [Redacted] St. Paul and has done quite a bit of anti-communist speaking in connection with her club work there. Her husband, [Redacted] is [Redacted] St. Paul, and their address is 1045 Nebraska Avenue, W., St. Paul, Minnesota.

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Enclosure

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*Book sent
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Merrill, Michigan

March 21, 1958

Master's of Deceit

Dear Sir:

I heard today of a book published by you or the F.B.I. that tells about Communism in this country. I would like to know how and where I can get a copy of it and how much it would cost.

I thank you very sincerely and I would like to compliment you & the organization for the wonderful job I believe you are doing.

Mrs. [redacted]

Merrill, Michigan

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March 26, 1958

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Mrs. [redacted]
Route 1
Merrill, Michigan

Dear Mrs. [redacted]

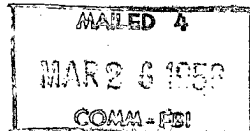
It was kind of you to write on March 21, 1958, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit," and I deeply appreciate your kind comments regarding the FBI and my administration of its activities.

While I do not have a supply of books on hand, I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue, New York 17, New York, for the purchase price of \$5.00.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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March 26, 1958

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EX-136

Mr.
50 Oak Ridge
Fort Thomas, Kentucky

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Dear Mr.

Thank you for your letter dated March 21, 1958,
with enclosure, regarding my new book, "Masters of Deceit."
I am sure that you can obtain a copy from your local booksellers
or from Henry Holt and Company, Inc., 383 Madison Avenue,
New York 17, New York, for the purchase price of \$5.00.

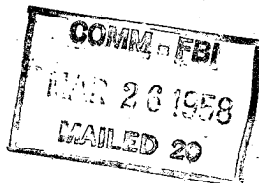
Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

NOTE: Correspondent's enclosure, ^{is} a postal card, being returned.

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MAIL ROOM ☐

50 Oak Ridge,
Fort Thomas, Ky.,
March 21, 1958.

Hon. J. Edgar Hoover,
FBI,
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Sir:

Please give me the name and address
of the publisher of your book on the
subject of Communism. Also the price.

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Sincerely,

[Redacted Signature]

P.S. — A postal card is enclosed for your convenience.

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ENCLOSURE

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MAR 27 1958

CRIME REC.

Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 3/18/58

FROM : Legal Attache, London (66-106)

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

This is to advise that the book "Masters of Deceit" will be given to the following persons:

[Redacted]
[Redacted] New Scotland
[Redacted] War Office
[Redacted] War Office
Superintendent [Redacted] Special Branch, New
Scotland Yard
Chief Superintendent [Redacted] Special Branch, New
Scotland Yard
[Redacted] Foreign Office
C/Superintendent [Redacted] Garda Siochana,
Dublin
Miss [Redacted] Foreign Office
[Redacted] Foreign Office
[Redacted] War Office
[Redacted] Danish Security Service, Copenhagen,
Denmark

Arrangements have already been made to obtain these twelve copies from the publisher through the Embassy. Two copies of the book have also been ordered by Legat and Assistant Legat through the Bureau.

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*1cc detached
foreign liaison
3/25/58
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Nease ✓
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Clayton
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

Date: March 20, 1958
To: Director, FBI
From: *AM* L. Madrid, Spain
Re: *C* "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

For the Bureau's information, it is planned to give copies of the Director's book "Masters of Deceit" to the following individuals:

Ambassador [redacted]
American Embassy
Madrid

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Gibraltar

Mr. [redacted]
[redacted]
Madrid

Major [redacted]
OSI
Madrid

It is felt that these persons would be most appreciative of the book. It has not been furnished to Spanish contacts because of their inability to read English.

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*cc: [redacted]
foreign liaison
3/25/58
[signature]*

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62-104277-307 March 26, 1958

REC-31

Captain [redacted] USN
Chief of Information
U. S. European Command
APO 128
New York, New York

EX-128

Dear Captain [redacted]

It was very thoughtful of you to write on March 17, 1958, and I sincerely appreciate your kindness in sending me a copy of your letter to Mr. William Buckley in which you set forth your pertinent observations regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit."

Your generous remarks and wholehearted support of the book are most heartening, and I want to thank you for your congratulations and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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NOTE: Bufiles reflect no identifiable unfavorable information concerning Captain [redacted]

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- Nease _____
- Parsons _____
- Rosen _____
- Tamm _____
- Trotter _____
- Clayton _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holloman _____
- Gandy _____

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- 1 - Mr. Ferris

3-24-58

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TO LEGAL ATTACHE MEXICO CITY
FROM DIRECTOR FBI

MEXICO CITY OFFICE ADMINISTRATIVE. REURLET MARCH EIGHTEEN, LAST.
AUTOGRAPHED COPIES OF QUOTE MASTERS OF DECEIT UNQUOTE BEING SENT
FROM BUREAU TO PROFESSOR [REDACTED] AND MRS. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

NOTE:

Legal Attache's letter 3-18-58 received in Bureau 3-21-58 advised it was contemplated that copies of "Masters of Deceit" would be given to Professor [REDACTED] and Mrs. [REDACTED] by the City Office. On 3-21-58, however, letters were sent to Professor [REDACTED] and Mrs. [REDACTED] by the Director advising that copies were being forwarded to them. The Legal Attache advised by cablegram so that local copies of the book be given to Professor [REDACTED] and Mrs. [REDACTED]. Obviously appreciate the Director's autograph.

- 1 - Foreign Liaison Section (detached)
- 1 - Crime Records

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Tamm _____
Trotter _____
Tele. Room _____
Holloman _____
Gandy _____

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Sent Via Cable 3-24-58 3 p 55

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Date: March 18, 1958
To: Director, FBI
From: Legat, Mexico (66-0)
Subject: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"
MEXICO CITY OFFICE
ADMINISTRATIVE

Mr. Tolson
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Clayton
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

It is contemplated that copies of "Masters of Deceit" will be given to the following contacts of this office:

[redacted] Laboratory and
Identification Division, Judicial Police of the
Federal District and Territories, Mexico, D. F.
Mrs. [redacted] Technical
Services, Office of the Attorney General of the
Republic, Mexico, D. F.
Lic. [redacted] Inspection Section,
Mexican Immigration Service, Mexico, D. F.
Lt. Col. [redacted] Federal Judicial
Police, Mexico, D. F.
Col. [redacted] Identification
Section, Metropolitan Police of Mexico, D. F.
[redacted] NATB representative, Mexico, D.
[redacted] Productos Practicos,
Ciudad Obregon, Sonora
[redacted] State Judicial Police,
Hermosillo, Sonora
[redacted] El Dorado Hotel, Mazatlan, Sinaloa
[redacted] Banco de Mazatlan, Mazatlan, Sinaloa
[redacted] Preliminary
Investigations, Federal Attorney General's Office,
Mexico, D. F.
Ing. [redacted] of Telecommunications
in Mexican Government, Mexico, D. F.
Lic. [redacted] Monterrey, Nuevo Leon
[redacted] American Smelting & Refining
Company plant, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon
Ing. [redacted] Traffic Bureau and
[redacted] Federal Highway Police, Monterrey, Nuevo Leon
[redacted] Monterrey,
Nuevo Leon

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1 - Mexico City
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REC-51

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MAR 26 1958

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HENRY HOLT AND COMPANY, INC. • Publishers

383 MADISON AVENUE... NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

GENERAL BOOKS
TEXTBOOKS
MAGAZINES

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease ✓
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Clayton
Tele. Room
Mr. Holloman
Miss Gandy

Trade Department

March 20, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I greatly appreciate your thoughtfulness in sending me an autographed copy of MASTERS OF DECEIT, which presently occupies a prominent spot on my coffee table. This has a two-prong purpose not the lesser of which is to persuade my friends to rush to their nearest book store.

We are all intensely gratified with the sale of the book to date and the tremendous raft of publicity which accompanied its publication and indeed continues strongly.

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THE OHIO BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY

750 HURON ROAD - TELEPHONE MAIN 2-9900

CLEVELAND 15, OHIO

W. S. SPARLING
PRESIDENT

March 24, 1958

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman ✓
Mr. Belmont ✓
Mr. Mohr ✓
Mr. Nease ✓
Mr. Parsons ✓
Mr. Rosen ✓
Mr. Tamm ✓
Mr. Trotter ✓
Mr. Clayton ✓
Tele. Room ✓
Mr. Holloman ✓
Miss Gandy ✓

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have just received from Mr. W. A. Murphy, Special Agent-in-Charge of your Cleveland Office, a copy of your new book MASTERS OF DECEIT. I have paged through it and found it most interesting and am looking forward to reading it.

Your thoughtfulness is appreciated.

Sincerely,



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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: March 19, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

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 Mohr _____
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 Holloman _____
 Gandy _____

The Director and Mr. Tolson inquired whether [redacted]
 an informant who furnished information to the Bureau concerning the Lenin
 School, was still alive.

Please be advised that the Detroit office today advised that [redacted]
 is still alive.

RECOMMENDATION:

None, for information.

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a summary
 of Bureau
 files on
 person is
 being
 prepared.

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MAR 31 1958

CRIME RECY

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease *[initials]*

DATE: March 18, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones *[initials]*

SUBJECT: MASTERS OF DECEIT

Tolson ☒
 Nichols ☒
 Boardman ☒
 Belmont ☒
 Mohr ☒
 Parsons ☒
 Rosen ☒
 Tamm ☒
 Trotter ☒
 Nease ☒
 Tele. Room ☒
 Holloman ☒
 Gandy ☒

Reference is made to teletype from New York dated March 16, 1958, captioned "Simon W. Gerson, IS-C" which reflected that an informant had reported a conversation between [redacted] and John Gates concerning the Director's book. [redacted] related that "Si has called them up and threatened to sue them" because "it says that he went to the Lenin School and he didn't." Si is believed to be Simon W. Gerson. Mr. Tolson noted, "What about this?" and the Director said, "Please check book."

In "Masters of Deceit" (page 65), it is stated that a number of top American communists, including Gerson, are graduates of the Lenin School. *EZELL*

The information concerning Gerson, like many other items in our security work and in the book, comes from our confidential informant coverage. In this particular case, the confidential source was [redacted] who cooperated with the Detroit Office. [redacted] a member of the Young Communist League and the Communist Party from 1927 to 1937. [redacted] who attended the Lenin School and [redacted] was a reliable source of information on the Lenin School, reported that "Cy Gerson," believed identical with the subject, also attended the Lenin School. (100-202838-51, pp. 43-44; 100-24518-17, p. 2) *active now?*

It is to be noted, moreover, that Simon Gerson was issued passport #426641 on January 23, 1927, according to the Passport Division, Department of State, for the purpose of visiting Russia, Poland, and Germany. On October 23, 1927, The New York Times reported that Gerson went to Russia in the Summer of 1927 as a member of an American student delegation which made a six weeks' tour of Russia and several other European countries. (100-52537-71, p. 2) *62-10417-313*

You will note that the conversation concerning Gerson took place on March 16, 1958, and to date the Bureau has received no protest from Gerson or any notice from Henry Holt. Accordingly, it is believed that there is no need for further action at this time.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information. *[initials]*FCS:wgl *[initials]*

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CENTRAL RESEARCH

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: March 21, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

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You will recall that we reported that Walter Burke, who furnished information concerning the Lenin School, is still alive. Mr. Tolson inquired, "Is he still active as an informant?" and the Director asked, "When did informant advise us re Gerson's attendance at Lenin School?"

(1) [] was a member of the Young Communist League and the Communist Party from 1927 to 1937 and attended the Lenin School from []. According to Bureau files, [] was a confidential source of the Detroit Office from [] when he was converted to a source of information. During the period [] he was contacted regularly concerning the identities of Lenin School students. At the present time, [] is still cooperative with the Detroit Office.

(2) The data concerning Gerson and the Lenin School was originally documented in the book from material prepared by the Central Research Section. The original source was Bureau file 100-202838-51, (Lenin School). Here, in Bureau letter to New York dated July 10, 1953, captioned "Lenin School, Internal Security - R," on page 44, under the name Simon William Gerson, the following appears: [] has reported that one Cy Gerson believed identical with above subject attended the Lenin School in Moscow. [] was characterized in this letter as a confidential source of the Detroit Office. This letter does not indicate the date on which [] furnished the information. In addition, it was noted that on two occasions, October 27, 1953, and August 2, 1954, New York letters to the Bureau captioned "The Lenin School, Internal Security - R" included Simon Gerson in lists of individuals identified or alleged as having attended the Lenin School. The New York letters contained no sources or other information. (100-202838-112, 100-202838-200)

When a thorough check of Bureau files failed to reflect the date [] furnished the information, Inspector D. E. Moore of the Domestic Intelligence Division on March 20, 1958, telephonically contacted SAC Brown of Detroit. SAC Brown advised that a thorough search of pertinent files and indices was made and that Detroit was unable to locate any file record concerning [] furnishing any information relative to Gerson having attended the Lenin School.

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Jones to Nease memo

As New York is the office of origin in the Gerson and Lenin School cases, ASAC Norman McCabe of New York was contacted by Inspector Moore. ASAC McCabe advised that a complete check of files and indices did not reveal any further information concerning Gerson's attendance at the Lenin School or [redacted] submission of information regarding Gerson other than that contained in the aforementioned Bureau letter dated July 10, 1953.

RECOMMENDATION:

For information.

PM
we should query the agent who wrote the letter of July 10, 1953, for details upon which letter was based. also, [redacted] should be interviewed to determine basis for his report that Gerson attended the Lenin School.

The lack of interest on the part of our Seat of Govt personnel to getting to the bottom of this matter is most discouraging

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Mr. [unclear]
lost understanding this apathy. This is important we get it nailed down. J.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman *LP*

DATE: March 25, 1958

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont *4-3-58*

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

Tolson ☒
 Nichols ☒
 Boardman ☒
 Belmont ☒
 Mason ☐
 Mohr ☐
 Parsons ☐
 Rosen ☐
 Tamm ☐
 Nease ☐
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 Tele. Room ☐
 Holloman ☐
 Gandy ☐

Reference is made to the inquiry of Mr. Tolson to Mr. Belmont as to whether the documentations regarding attendance at the Lenin School are sound on the 13 individuals, other than Simon W. Gerson, who are mentioned on pages 65-66 of the book.

Communications from the field or outside agency which furnish the basis for these allegations have been located. The allegations were made by informants and sources who have been described as furnishing reliable information in the past. Therefore, it is believed that the information is factual and that these documentations are sound.

For the purpose of ready evaluation, the documentation of each individual is columnized in the enclosure. Except where specified, the informants and sources are alive.

RECOMMENDATION:

For the information of Mr. Tolson.

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- 1 - Mr. Nease
- 1 - Mr. Boardman
- 1 - Mr. Belmont
- 1 - Mr. Sullivan
- 1 - Section tickler
- 1 - Mr. Garner

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CRIMINAL
 DIVISION
 U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

64 APR 4 1958

<u>Subject Attending</u> <u>Lenin School</u>	<u>Source of</u> <u>Allegation</u>	<u>Date Information</u> <u>Received by Bureau</u>	<u>Bufile</u>
Philip Bart		5/26/52	100-3284-304
		7/17/51	100-3284-164
Eugene Dennis		3/3/53	100-202838-41, p. 11
		Prior to 3/5/54*	100-15877-344
Nat Ganley	Informant described as reliable in report of Chief of Naval Intelligence, 4/12/48	3/23/48**	100-202838-15
Betty Gannett		3/3/53	100-8029-238, p. 5
		11/22/49	100-6270-56
Gus Hall		11/25/53	61-8077-619
Albert Lannon		5/24/49	100-17508-371, p. 4
		Prior to 8/31/51*	100-17508-456, p. 49
		Prior to 8/31/51*	100-17508-456, p. 49
Claude Lightfoot		9/9/53	100-108-123, p. 3
		Prior to 9/1/51*	100-108-78, pp. 16, 19, 20, 29
		10/16/52	100-108-103, pp. 1-2
		11/20, 25/52	
Steve Nelson		3/3/53	100-202838-41, p. 11
		6/14/51	100-16847-971, pp. 7- 11
		9/4/51	100-16847-971
		7/51*	100-16847-971
Loretta Stack	Technical Surveillance	7/45 *	100-340244-15, p. 11
		8/28/45	100-340244-4, pp. 6- 11
	Microphone Surveillance	8/45*	100-340244-5, pp. 1- 2

* Communications from field reporting information did not include exact date information was received.

** Date information received by Office of Naval Intelligence.

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<u>Subject Attending</u> <u>Lenin School</u>	<u>Source of</u> <u>Allegation</u>	<u>Date Information</u> <u>Received by Bureau</u>	<u>Bufile</u>
William Weinstone		11/22/49	100-20859-57
Henry Winston		3/3/53	100-202838-41, p. 11
		11/22/49	100-6270-56
		Prior to 3/14/47 *	100-1473-48 b7D
Carl Winter		3/3/53	100-202838-41, p. 11
		Prior to 11/19/47*	100-4861-234X, p. 18
		Prior to 5/24/44*	100-4861-122, p.5
		3/11/46	100-4861-199, p. 130
Rose Wortis	Informant described as reliable in report of Chief of Naval Intelligence, 4/12/48	3/23/48**	100-202838-15

*Communications from field reporting information did not include exact date information was received.

** Date information received by Office of Naval Intelligence.

REC- 9162-104277-319 March 26, 1958

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

EX-128

Mr. William A. Duckley
Henry Holt and Company, Inc.
333 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Bill:

The twenty-fourth installment of the
Ring Features syndication is being returned herewith.
We have marked suggested changes on the text.

Sincerely,

Clyde
Clyde Tolson

Enclosure

*any signed
& mailed out
3/26*

NOTE: See Jones to Nease memorandum dated 3-25-58 captioned
"Masters of Deceit."

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W. A.
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Boardman _____
Belmont _____
Mohr _____
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Henry Holt and Company, Inc. · PUBLISHERS

383 MADISON AVENUE... NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

VICE PRESIDENT

✓
March 21, 1958

Mr. Clyde A. Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Room 5744
Department of Justice Bldg.
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed herewith please find installment #24 of King
Features Syndicate's version of J. Edgar Hoover's MASTERS
OF DECEIT, for your correction.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Bill

William E. Buckley

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Enclosures (3)

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MAR 27 1958

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3/26/58
Memo for J. Edgar Hoover
Letter to
Buckley
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REC-17

March 26, 1958

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Mr.
203 Main Street
Burlington, Vermont

Dear

Thank you very much for your thoughtful
note of March 21, 1958. I am certainly pleased that you
found "Masters of Deceit" to be of interest. If you send
me your copy of this book, I will be more than happy to
autograph it.

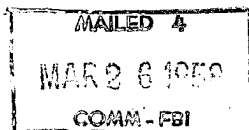
Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE:

Salutation per previous correspondence.

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209 MAIN STREET
BURLINGTON, VERMONT

MARCH 21, 1958

HON. J. EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR OF FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Clayton	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Holloman	
Miss Gandy	

MY DEAR EDGAR:

I HAVE JUST FINISHED READING YOUR BOOK "MASTERS OF DECEIT" AND HAVE THOROUGHLY ENJOYED THE SAME. I HOPE THAT THERE WILL BE A WIDESPREAD DISTRIBUTION OF THIS BOOK. ITS CONTENTS ARE SOMETHING THAT THE GENERAL PUBLIC SHOULD BE MADE MORE AWARE OF AT THIS TIME.

IT IS VERY WELL WRITTEN AND UNDERSTANDABLE.

I WOULD LIKE VERY MUCH TO HAVE AN AUTOGRAPHED COPY FOR MY LIBRARY AND WONDER IF YOU WOULD BE SO KIND AS TO AUTOGRAPH ONE IF I SENT IT UNDER SEPARATE COVER. REC-17

WITH KIND PERSONAL REGARDS, I AM

RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

PERS. FILES

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MAR 27 1958

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease *HN*

DATE: March 25, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones *M. A. Jones*SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT" *✓*

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 Nease _____
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 Holloman _____
 Gandy _____

We have reviewed the twenty-fourth installment of the King Features syndication furnished by Henry Holt. It is taken from Chapter 21, dealing with espionage.

As in past installments, the text has been shortened, changed at points and some sentences reworded. The general theme, however, remains. On page six; in relation to the Verber-Ponger Case, we have retyped two paragraphs to make them conform to the text of the book. King Features had made changes which caused some of the material to be incorrect. In addition, we have made some other minor changes in consultation with the Domestic Intelligence Division.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter over Mr. Tolson's signature be forwarded to Mr. Buckley of Henry Holt, enclosing the corrected text of the 24th installment

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REC-4

March 21, 1958

62-104277-322

EX-110

Mr.
11 West 42nd Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr.

It was thoughtful of you to write on March 17, 1958, regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit," and I sincerely appreciate your kind comments and observations.

I earnestly hope that the book will serve to awaken complacent Americans to the insidious nature of the communist threat and will alert some disillusioned individuals to the true aims and purposes of the international communist movement.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: Bureau files reflect no information concerning Mr. to preclude this letter.

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover,
Director of F.B.I.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Your new book "MASTERS OF DECEIPT" is a powerful and realistic treatment of the mortal threat of communism. Your concern for a compassionate and effective handling of defectors is timely.

For a considerable period I have voluntarily counselled with important ex-communists at various stages of their disillusionment, including more recently, one who is world famous. As a life-long foe of communism, I sincerely believe that a sympathetic and patient approach will, in the end, yield not only a negative gain for democracy by his defection, but more importantly, an affirmative value in his hoped for complete conversion as a democratic foe of the communist conspiracy.

You have, as always, my profound respect.

Sincerely, 62-104277-322



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P.S. It is superfluous to add that many of our mutual friends in this area are acutely aware of the dangerous signs of a United Front revival around the "Ban Nuclear Testing" movement. --M.B.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 24, 1958

FROM : G. A. Nease

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SAC Foster of Indianapolis phoned at 4:55 p. m., today, advising that [redacted] in Indianapolis and who has been an anticommunist and friendly to the Indianapolis Office over a period of time had contacted Foster today advising she has been so enthusiastic about the Director's new book "Masters of Deceit" that she felt the book ought to be in every high school library in the City of Indianapolis. In further development of her idea she contacted the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) office in Indianapolis, which organization agreed, extending her idea further that the book should be in every high school library in the state. Furthermore, the VFW would like to buy 700 books for this specific purpose and, accordingly, would make contact with the superintendent of public instruction of the State of Indiana to see if there would be any possible objection. Foster advised that the question asked by Mrs. [redacted] was for Foster to ascertain if the Director could possibly autograph each of the 700 copies of the book if VFW purchases them and gets permission to put them into each high school library; secondly, where could the books be purchased at a discount price.

Foster was advised to suggest to Mrs. [redacted] that contact be made with the Henry Holt and Company, 383 Madison Avenue, New York, with regard to the large-scale purchase contemplated and that we would let him know whether the Director could possibly take on such a sizeable project as autographing each book in this project. Foster was advised we would be in touch with him.

we should write [redacted]
 It seems to be an imposition on the Director's time to autograph 700 books although, if properly spaced over a period of time, the same results could be obtained as we did in the case of [redacted] book when [redacted] gave us approximately 200 names to whom the Director autographed copies of that publication. I would appreciate the Director's observations regarding autographing the 700 books in order that SAC Foster can be advised.

cc - Mr. Jones

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It is suggested that Mrs. [redacted] be informed that, while the Director would like very much to do this, it is just not physically possible for him to do so in view of the other tremendous demands being made on his time.

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March 25, 1958

Mr.
Editor
The Catholic Virginian
Richmond, Virginia

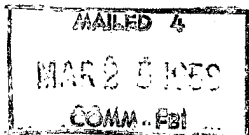
Dear Mr.

I have read your review of "Masters of Deceit" which appeared in The Catholic Virginian on March 21, 1958, and I wanted to drop you this note to thank you sincerely for your editorial, as well as for the item concerning this book which you published in your column on March 14, 1958.

You may be sure that I am most grateful for your support.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



cc - Richmond

NOTE: received an advance autographed copy of "Masters of Deceit" on 2-12-58.

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'Masters of Deceit'

J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has had the Communist conspiracy under scrutiny for many years, and in his book "Masters of Deceit," published by Henry Holt & Co., he reveals the aims, movements and methods of the American Communist Party.

Membership in the Communist Party in the United States declined from a peak of 80,000 in 1944 to 22,600 in 1955, but as William Z. Foster, former head of the group, has declared, "the Communist parties' strength runs far beyond all formal measurements." For each Party member, there are 10 sympathizers or fellow travelers who can be counted on to do the Party's work. Furthermore, wherever they are found (including Russia), Communists exert an influence out of proportion to their numbers.

This is so, Mr. Hoover discloses, because the Party appropriates every minute of a member's time and every particle of his energy. While husbands carry on after-work assignments such as collecting dues, soliciting funds, attending meetings, calling on prospective members, their wives are typing, mimeographing, running errands. A member whose wife complained of his neglect of their family was ordered to divorce her. All this activity is directed by the Party functionary, a paid official trained as a rule in the Lenin School of Moscow, trained in the devious arts of the revolutionary, in the destructive discipline of deceit.

The book deals with the organization of the Party; why U. S. citizens become Communists; Communist discipline, strategy and tactics, the underground and related subjects.

Archbishop Richard J. Cushing has ordered 1,000 copies to be distributed to Catholic schools and priests. His purchase was made possible through the generosity of "a benefactor who sees this book as I do, a warning of a clear and present danger to our way of life."

"Masters of Deceit" should shock the reader out of any apathy or indifference toward a menace that threatens his future, his home, his children and the peace of the world. Here he is informed about the character of the enemy and his malicious intent.

THE CATHOLIC VIRGINIAN
MARCH 21, 1958
RICHMOND, VIRGINIA

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WITH the EDITOR

This week's mail includes a note from J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, along with an autographed copy of his book, "Masters of Deceit", which was released for publication by Henry Holt & Company Monday. Mr. Hoover writes:

"I am hopeful that this account of American communism from its beginning to the present will assist in alerting the American people to the deadly menace of atheistic communism and will indicate what can be done to combat it. With kind personal regards..."

The book will be reviewed in next week's issue.

A Falls Church man writes about a C.V. article entitled "Invoking God's Aid for U.S." He wants to know in what issue of the Washington Post and Times Herald the matter referred to was published. He has a friend who wants to take the Washington newspaper to task in his own (Protestant) church paper. The gentleman has been referred to J. J. Gilbert of the National Catholic News Service who wrote the piece.

Writes R. L. Birch, 1912 N. Randolph Street, Arlington:

"As a new subscriber, I was pleased, not to mention surprised, at the elements of whimsy on the editorial page.

"Thanks for the imagination shown in the non-titled cartoon about National Smile Week and Save Your Vision Week. Who does it, and is Tidings Feature Syndicate national?"

The artist is Joe Kaelin, of The Tidings, Los Angeles. The C.V. is the only other paper in which the drawings appear, as far as we know. Does Mr. Birch or any other reader have any suggestions for a name for the feature? We tried "Illustrating the Headlines" this week, but someone must have a better idea.



J. J. Daly

Knights of Columbus councils are keeping C.V. readers informed of their activities by forwarding their newsletters for reprinting of newsworthy items. Some of the titles of these mimeographed publications are clever—Knight Life, for example, put out by Edward Douglas White Council, Arlington; Kealey Knight Letter, of Father Kealey Council, Ocean View, and Christopher's Log, Winchester Council.

The Newsletter published by the Richmond Diocesan Unit, Catholic Library Association, carries this item:

"We should like you to turn to the last page first and see that we have recruited our first advertiser — the Religious Goods Shop, Richmond. We are grateful to Mr. F. Taylor Campbell for his contribution. How did Mr. Campbell know about our Newsletter? Not because we were thoughtful enough to send him a copy, but because he read about it in the Catholic Virginian!"

The C.V. is pleased to have been a factor, but the assistance, it must be conceded, was indirect. We know how Sister feels; our paper is carrying a Norfolk ad (Coopers, Page 5) because a Catholic layman suggested the idea to the store owner.

Last week, Mrs. D. E. Wilkey of Norfolk requested an article in the C.V. on artificial insemination. The editor wrote that there was no controversy on the subject within the Catholic Church, but on the opposite page of this issue is a dispatch from London dealing with a discussion of the topic in Parliament, "Brainwave from Beezlebub". A Catholic member of the House of Lords gives the Christian point of view.

His Eminence Samuel Cardinal Stritch, who soon is to become the only American cardinal in the Roman Curia at the Vatican, has been highly praised for his many virtues, one of which is a love of children.

While attending a convention at Notre Dame University, we were introduced to His Eminence, and in turn presented one of our sons who was 10 years old at the time.

While a gathering stood waiting at the banquet hall entrance, Cardinal Stritch, who comes from Nashville, Tenn., leaned over and chatted with the youngster.

"Gerry," he said to the young Virginian, "I'll bet you talk like I do!"

The Cardinal has a keen sense of humor.

Speaking to Catholic Press editors, Father Cavanaugh, former president of Notre Dame, urged his audience to think of the University in terms of its academic accomplishments rather than as a football power.

When the priest finished, it was His Eminence's turn to speak. Before starting his prepared address, he said with a smile: "And now let's all hope that Notre Dame has a winning season next Fall!"

Another Prince of the Church, His Eminence Francis Cardinal Spellman, is renowned for his interest in people.

Three weeks ago, before blessing the new offices of the Catholic Press Association in New York, he was presented individually to each of those present.

After he had officiated, the Cardinal walked directly to a man who had been in another room when he had entered. "I don't think I met you," he said. Surprised and flustered, the man introduced himself, but Cardinal Spellman made him feel at home as he extended his hand and went on to say how pleased he was to have the central office located in his archdiocese. "I'm honored," he said. "I'll put a recording of this blessing in my archives."

Andrew Porter should give an authentic Scottish dance when he performs at a Roanoke St. Patrick's program over the weekend. (Picture on Page 18). He comes from Scotland.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR

DATE: March 25, 1958

FROM : CLYDE TOLSON

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I called Mr. William Buckley, of Henry Holt & Company, concerning the text to accompany picture #17 to be used by King Features in the syndication of the book "Masters of Deceit."

I referred to the text accompanying this picture as shown in the attached memorandum. I told him that I would like to suggest that paragraphs two and three of this caption be eliminated. I told him that some question had arisen with respect to one of the persons named and that it would appear that no point would be served in carrying this information in the caption.

Mr. Buckley got in touch with King Features and the suggestion has been carried out. The last two paragraphs have been deleted from the caption. Mr. Buckley will send to me a copy of the photograph with the caption as it will appear, containing only the information in the first paragraph, as indicated in the attached memorandum.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease *gjp*

DATE: March 24, 1958

FROM : Mr. A. Jones *✓*

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

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Simon W. Gerson's attendance at the Lenin School is mentioned in the King Features syndication as part of a picture caption. You will recall that King Features in January, 1958, furnished us a number of suggested pictures which newspapers could use along with the articles. Each of the pictures had an accompanying text.

We do not have a copy of the pictures. However, we do have the accompanying text for each. Gerson is mentioned in the text for Picture #17. The text is as follows:

Left to right, next to the Federal marshal:
 Claudia Jones, Betty Gannett and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn being taken to court after a Federal judge ruled that bonds furnished by the "Civil Rights Congress" for fifteen indicted Communists were unacceptable. Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, a member of the National Committee of the Communist Party, ran in 1957 for the New York City Council under the emblem of the "People's Rights Party," after communists obtained 3,000 signatures on petitions required by law to place her name on the ballot.

J. Edgar Hoover reveals in "Masters of Deceit" that Betty Gannett was one of the graduates of the Lenin School in Moscow, a training-center for underground and conspiratorial operations and the tactics of revolution and civil war.

Other Lenin School graduates from the United States, identified by Mr. Hoover: Eugene Dennis, Claude Lightfoot, Carl Winter, Simon W. Gerson, William Weinstone, Nat Ganley, Steve Nelson, Gus Hall, Albert Lannon, Phil Bart, Rose Wortis, Loretta Stack, Henry Winston.

We do not recall exactly just what persons are in this picture, but we feel that it contains pictures of Claudia Jones, Betty Gannett and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn (along with the Federal Marshal). We are fairly certain that Gerson and the others listed in the last paragraph are not in this photo. Accordingly, it is felt that the last two paragraphs of the caption could be omitted and not affect the picture.

RECOMMENDATION: See next page.

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M. A. Jones to Nease memo continued.

RECOMMENDATION:

That since a question has been raised whether Gerson attended the Lenin School, that Mr. William Buckley of Henry Holt be contacted and have him request King Features to omit the last two paragraphs from Picture Caption #17.

NEAR MINISINK FORD
NARROWSBURG 2, N. Y.

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you so very much for
your letter of March 17th and the copy
of "Masters of Deceit" which you so kindly
enclosed & autographed. We shall indeed
treasure it greatly!

The splendid color photograph
of your presence on the jacket we have
carefully placed on the inside front
cover. It conveys to us many times over
a picture that says a thousand words.

Every radio & TV commentator
should read "Masters of Deceit" and then
broadcast their reaction and tell the
listeners how to obtain a copy urging
that if we open our eyes, inform ourselves,
and work together, we can keep our country
free.

God bless & keep you, Sir, for many
many years.

Sincerely,

The Honorable
John Edgar Hoover, Sir,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D.C.,

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: March 20, 1958

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Enclosed are two copies of a book review
which appeared in the Louisville Times, Louisville,
Kentucky, on March 19, 1958.

The review was written by BILL WOOLSEY.
The Louisville indices are negative regarding
WOOLSEY.

The Bureau should note that the review
does not reflect the editorial policy of the
Louisville Times but is merely a printing of a
review by a staff book reviewer. The same
newspaper on March 18, 1958, reprinted the Associated
Press release carrying a review of the same book.
This associated Press release was extremely favorable
and complimentary.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

Thank you so very much for your letter of March 17th and the copy of "Masters of Deceit" which you so kindly inscribed & autographed. We shall indeed treasure it greatly.

The splendid color photograph of your goodself on the jacket we have carefully placed on the inside front cover. It conveys to us many times over a picture that "says a thousand words."

Every radio & TV commentator should read "Masters of Deceit" and then broadcast their reaction and tell the listeners how to obtain a copy urging that "if we open our eyes, inform ourselves, and work together we can keep our country free."

God bless & keep you, sir, for many many years.

Sincerely,

s/Mr. & Mrs. [redacted]

The Honorable John Edgar Hoover,
Dir., Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25, D. C.

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THE BOOK SCENE

Red Threat Today Described

A REVIEW

By Bill Woolsey

The chief of the Federal Bureau of Investigation believes that "the weapons of Communism are still formidable" and that "the Communist Party, U.S.A., works day and night to further the Communist plot in America."

And J. Edgar Hoover, in a new book called "Masters of Deceit," hammers hard at the thesis that "we cannot afford the luxury of waiting for Communism to run its course like other oppressive dictatorships."

Mr. Hoover is, in short, warning that the rapid spread of the Communist movement into Europe, and the Middle and Far East, plus the existence in the United States of a disciplined, hard-core of "fanatical" members of the Communist Party, poses very much of a threat to our nation.



J. Edgar Hoover

He grants that in numbers the party has suffered a decline in the United States. But he disagrees with those who contend that the influence of the Communist Party in this country is negligible.

The "hard-core" . . . with "their fellow travelers, sympathizers, opportunists, and dupes . . . do not feel lonely. They have faith in the 'big Red brother' who will come to their help . . . They want to add America to Soviet Russia's list of conquests."

Mr. Hoover's book reads as if it had been written about a half-decade ago, before the demise of The Daily Worker, before the intensive purging of Communists and Communist-sympathizers from the ranks of organized labor, and before the discrediting of many, many "front" organizations.

Apparently, Mr. Hoover feels that the most recent period of underground activity is over and the party is becoming bold again. He sets the span of the latest period of "intensified underground activities" in the mid-1951 to mid-1955 era.

Hence this book, with its wealth of detail

about the private lives of members of the Communist Party (bleak and utterly at the beck and call of the higher-ups); the Communist front organizations (cynical opportunism that has victimized many people), and mass agitation (using widely acceptable goals as window-dressing for devious ends).

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Nevertheless, the veteran F.B.I. chief is at pains to remind his readers that "smears, character assassination, and the scattering of irresponsible charges have no place in this nation. They create division, suspicion, and distrust among loyal Americans—just what the Communists want . . . honest dissent should not be confused with disloyalty. A man has a right to think as he wishes: that's the strength of our form of government. Without free thought our society would decay. . . . One of the chief jobs of the F.B.I., fully as important as tracking down spies, is to protect the civil rights of individuals."

The early chapters of the book are a curiously flat and one-dimensional survey of Communist history from Karl Marx to the early days of Communism in the United States. Granted that the people involved cooked up a witches' brew for the world, they are human beings and worth treating more fully than in this book, even those who were puppets when Moscow pulled the strings.

In setting out to write a primer-style account of the Communist Party and its adherents in America, the author may have oversimplified to the point of diminishing his book.

"Masters of Deceit" is, indeed, strongest, not when it reminds us of such domestic history as that the campaign to make a dupe of the Negro in America failed (which can hardly be news to anybody), but when it makes us realize there are millions elsewhere in the world to whom we are strangers and the Communist is, sadly enough, one of his own kind.

MASTERS OF DECEIT, The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It: By J. Edgar Hoover. Henry Holt and Company, New York. \$5.

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Lieutenant (j.g.) USNR
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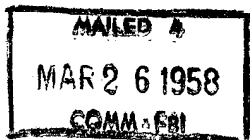
Dear Mr.

Thank you sincerely for your thoughtful letter of March 22, 1958. I am certainly pleased that you found "Masters of Deceit" of interest, and you may be sure I am most grateful for your endorsement of this book.

My associates and I are appreciative of your offer of cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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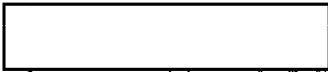
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Bethesda, Maryland



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
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US Naval Hospital
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Mr. Tolson ☒
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This book alarmed me about the menace we face from communists in America (as well as from Russia) as I have never been alarmed before.

I'm recommending your book to as many people as I can.

Thank you most sincerely for writing Masters of Deceit and thereby aiding immeasurably, I'm sure, the cause of Godliness and true freedom in America and hence the world.

Most gratefully,

/s/
Lt. jg, USNR

P.S. If I can be of assistance to the FBI in its fight against Communism, I would be glad to help.

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U.S. Naval Hospital
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I'm sure, the cause of Godliness
and true freedom in America
and hence the world.

Most gratefully,



Stjj, USNR

P.S. If I can be of assistance to
the FBI in its fight against
Communism, I would be glad
to help.

March 28, 1958

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Mr. [redacted]

1694 Thurston Drive
Laguna Beach, California

Dear Mr. [redacted]

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Thank you for your thoughtful note
of March 24, 1958. I am very pleased that you
found my book, "Masters of Deceit," of such
interest, and I sincerely appreciate the support
you are giving it.

Sincerely yours,
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MAR, 24th

Mr J. Edgar Hoover
Washington D.C.

Dear Mr Hoover

Having finished reading your fine
Book MASTERS OF DECEIT two weeks ago, The first
copy in town

I want to thank you for writing it
and in my small way, Am telling all the folks
I know to read it too, All good Americans should
read it and those that are not good Americans it
might wake up. Too.

As a fellow californian I suggested
Earl Warren read it also, After those Pro Red
rullings from the supreme court all of them need
to read your book.

Your Booster & Admirer

1694 Thurston Dr.
Laguna Beach, Cal.

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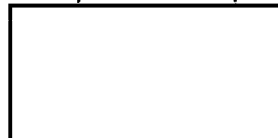
SAC *[Signature]*
Office *Tokyo*

1528-W. Rosedale
Fort Worth 4, Texas
Mar. 18, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Some few weeks ago I heard that
your "Book" "Masters of Deceit"
would be available. So, I at
once ordered 2 of them thru
my local book store. They
arrived last week. Now,
I have read the book, and
all I can say is: I am
truly dissatisfied in the
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Communism is real, and
should have real exposure
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you are protecting some of our
worst enemies.
Yours truly,



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HOOVER UNMASKS RED INTRIGUE IN "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

By James Lee

Washington, Mar 14 (INS)—The shocking story of communism in America is related by FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover in a book entitled "Masters Of Deceit," which was published last Monday.

Hoover reveals with vivid documentation the relentless drive of the Communist Party toward its ultimate objective, the seizure of power in the United States.

The man who has headed the Federal Bureau of Investigation since 1924 is uniquely equipped to expose the Red plot. As a special assistant to the attorney general, he began his study of communism 39 years ago.

"Masters Of Deceit," published by Henry Holt and Company, New York, is the dramatic distillation of nearly four decades of first-hand knowledge of communist strategy, tactics, subversion, infiltration, espionage, sabotage and brainwashing.

Hoover states his premise simply, in these words: "Every citizen has a duty to learn more about the menace that threatens his future, his home, his children, the peace of the world—and that is why I have written this book."

In 374 pages crammed with often startling information, the author rips away the curtains of mystery which shroud the communist conspiracy and graphically blueprints the battle plan through which individual Americans can combat a cancerous threat to the nation.

Highlights of the book include:

The Red objective—Hoover says: "The party's objective is to drive a wedge, however slight, into as many minds as possible. That is why, in every conceivable way, communists try to poison our thinking about the issues of the day: social reforms, peace, politics, veterans', women's, and youth problems."

Red revolution in the US—"Communists do not propose to remodel our government or retain any part of it. They would tear it to the ground, destroy all opposition, and then create a new government, an American province in the Soviet world empire."

Soviet agents—Hoover points out that many of the Communist Party's top leaders in the US are graduates of the Lenin School in Moscow, which trains the international hard core of Red conspirators. He names Eugene Dennis, Claude Lightfoot, Carl Winter, Simon W. Gerson, William Weinstone, Nat Ganley, Steve Nelson, Betty Gannett, Gus Hall, Albert Lannon, Phil Bart, Rose Wortis, Loretta Stack and Henry Winston.

Spy rings—Hoover warns: "The United States is strategic spy target number one for the So-



J. EDGAR HOOVER

viets. Every effort is being made to penetrate our defenses."

Examples of what communist spies seek—"Any person who believes that espionage means securing only military information is unacquainted with the nature of 20th Century spying. An army manual, security regulations of a government building, the 'political' views of a clerk in an industrial firm, incidents in the life of a prominent person which might be used for blackmail—those and many more are prize espionage targets."

Religious groups—The FBI chief says "The party is today engaged in a systematic program to infiltrate American religious groups." Communists are being told to "Join churches and become involved in church work." This provides the cover of "respectability," the opportunity for subtle dissemination of propaganda, and a chance to make contact with youth.

Underground operations—Hoover describes the communist underground as "A maze of undercover couriers, escape routes, hide-outs, and clandestine meetings." He says that "Only the most trusted and dedicated of party members are chosen" for these operations.

The FBI chief adds: "To enter the underground usually means simply disappearing quickly, abruptly, without warning. Whispers float: 'Where's Gordon?' The answer: 'He's gone under' or merely the telltale sign, a clenched fist with the thumb pointed down."

Negroes—Hoover declares:

"The party's claim that it is working for Negro rights is a deception and a fraud. The party's sole interest, as most American Negroes know, is to hoodwink the Negro, to exploit him and use him as a tool to build a communist America."

Party discipline—"Communism," the FBI director writes, "is cannibalistic. Its servants are periodically offered as sacrifices on the communist altar." He notes "the utter depths of depravity, hate and inhuman venom to which the party will descend in order to wreak vengeance on an expelled member."

Hoover provides a grim description of what life in the US would be like under a "dictatorship of the proletariat."

The nation's capital "would be moved from Washington, DC, to a large industrial center, probably Chicago." National and state governments would be eliminated. In their stead, "Soviets" would be set up.

Communist Party henchmen would "depose and probably liquidate" mayors, police chiefs, clergymen and leading citizens. All industry would be nationalized. Farms would be taken away from their owners. Rents, profits and insurance would be wiped out.

Countless occupations would be abolished, among them wholesalers, jobbers, real estate men, stockbrokers, advertising specialists, traveling salesmen, lawyers, and what the party calls "whole rafts of government bureaucrats, police, clericals, and sundry capitalist quacks, fakers and grafters."

Hoover, in his stirring call to action against the Red conspirators, emphasizes that "we cannot afford the luxury of waiting for communism to run its course like other oppressive dictatorships." He suggests this five-point program to counter the communist plot:

- A little time each day spent in studying the Bible and the basic documents of American history. Hoover says, "The result would be a new America, vigilant, strong, but ever humble in the service of God."

- Adult example demonstrating "that it is possible to combine high idealism with solid practicality and patience."

- "Action"—young people and adults alike should be "working members of our republic and citizens on duty at all times."

- A "positive" attitude. Hoover counsels that "we... should strive for goals that are genuinely better, higher, and noble, trying to improve community and nation."

- Faith. Hoover says "being a communist prides"

OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Fort Worth 4, Texas
Mar. 18, 1958

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They arrived last week. Now, I have read the
book, and all I can say is I am truly dissappointed
in the book. This conspiracy of Communism is
real, and should have real exposure before it is
too late. I am affraid you are protecting some
of our worst enemies.

Yours truly,

/s/

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Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. Boardman ☒
Mr. Belmont ☒
Mr. Mohr ☒
Mr. Nease ☒
Mr. Parsons ☒
Mr. Rosen ☒
Mr. Tamm ☒
Mr. Trotter ☒
Mr. Wines ☒
Mr. Clayton ☒
Tele. Room ☒
Mr. Holloman ☒
Miss Holmes ☒
Miss Gandy ☒

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3-26-58
G.E.M.*

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease *gms*

DATE: March 26, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones *gms*SUBJECT:

1528 WEST ROSEDALE
 FORT WORTH 4, TEXAS
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By postal card dated March 18, 1958, to the Director, captioned individual stated he had ordered two copies of the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit." He states that after reading the book, he is "truly disappointed" and is afraid the Director is protecting some of our "worst enemies."

Bureau files reflect that one of Fort Worth, Texas, Information and Education Committee, Citizens Council, Fort Worth, Texas, on January 7, 1957. This information is based upon an article appearing in the Fort Worth, Texas, "Star Telegram," January 8, 1957. (105-34237-12-2)

The current telephone directory for Fort Worth, Texas, reflects no information identifiable with at the address of 1528 West Rosedale.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the obstinate nature of communication, it is recommended that it not be acknowledged.

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Mr.
19 Oak Avenue
Bronx
New York 65, New York

Dear Mr.

Thank you for your thoughtful note of
March 24, 1958. I am certainly pleased to learn that
you enjoyed my article which appeared in the "American
Mercury" magazine, and I hope you also find "Masters
of Deceit" of interest.

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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MAR 27 1958

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information available which would preclude sending this letter.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

19 Oak Avenue
Bronx 65, New York
March 24, 1958

To J. Edgar Hoover,
National Director of the
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Dear Mr. Hoover,

Although I have not yet obtained your new book,
"Masters of Deceit," I am looking forward to reading
it. I especially want to read it because it is
condemned by the New York Times so it must really
be a fine book. I would like to congratulate you on it,
and also too on your article in Mercury Magazine
on the Pseudo-Liberals. It was exceptionally well
done and very revealing. You should write more often
for Mercury.

Keep up the good work and God bless you.

Yours truly,

s/

[Redacted Signature Box]

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Mr. Tolson ☒
Mr. Boardman ☐
Mr. Belmont ☐
Mr. Mohr ☒
Mr. Nease ☒
Mr. Parsons ☐
Mr. Rosen ☐
Mr. Tamm ☐
Mr. Trotter ☒
Mr. Jones ☒
Mr. Clayton ☐
Tele. Room ☐
Mr. Holloman ☐
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March 28, 1958

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was exceptionally well done and very revealing.
You should write more often for Mercury.

Keep up the good work and God bless you.

Yours truly,

[Redacted Signature]

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 Mr. Mohr ✓
 Mr. Nease ✓
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 Mr. Tamm ✓
 Mr. Trotter ✓
 Mr. Clayton ✓
 Tele. Room ✓
 Mr. Holloman ✓
 Miss Gandy ✓

2217 Cota Ave.,
 Long Beach, IO, Calif.,
 March, 24, 1958.

J. Edgar Hoover:

Dear Sir:

After reading the "Masters of Deceit" and the nineteenth chapter was a shock. All of the UnAmericans that I have read in the right wing papers and the bible names them as our enemies.

In fact Communism ^{truly} just have been outlawed here in America years ago. I sure know one thing I would never let them use my name under no circumstances. I had rather face God first. This was a beautiful country and people were never under a strain of making a living until the Subversives got into power. These tax burdens in this country is a disgrace too.

I pray that we ^{can} make keep the Government that our Forefathers fought and died for. Hope you will receive that chapter.

Sincerely yours,

[Redacted Signature Box]

2217 COTA AVE., LONG BEACH, CALIF.

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~~EISENHOWER'S APPOINTMENTS~~

*These are the real issues of vital concern to the
American people, not the health and
personal problems of Mr. Eisenhower*

1. MAX RABB - Cabinet Secretariat
2. ISADORE MARTIN - Legislative Secretary, White House
3. LEWIS LICHTENSTEIN STRAUSS - Head of A.E.C., member of Kuhn, Loeb, and Company
4. ARTHUR BURNS(tein) - Economic Advisor
5. LOUIS ROTHSCHILD - Maritime Commissioner
6. ISMAR BARUCH - Civil Service Chief (Son Of Bernard)
7. CHARLES SCHOTTLAND - Social Security Commissioner
8. ~~MAX ABELL - Chairman, so called Anti-Discrimination Com-~~
~~mittee~~
9. I. IRWIN SHAPIRO - State Department Investigations
10. ADMIRAL HYMAN RICKOVER - Head, Peacetime Atomic En-
ergy Monopoly
11. CHARLES METZNER - Assistant Attorney General
12. SIMON SOBELOFF - Of Russian-Jewish parentage, Solicitor
General -- "Advisor to Brownell and executive branch", power
to appoint or influence appointments of thousands of federal
attorneys
13. MORRIS WOLF - General Counsel Foreign Operations Admin-
istration
14. CLARENCE DOUGLAS DILLON - (Real name, Clarence La-
powski) Ambassador to France
15. STUART ROTHMAN - Solicitor, Labor Department
16. MURRAY SNYDER - Assistant White House Press Secretary
17. MEYER KESTNBAUM - Chairman, Commission on Inter-Gov-
ernment Relations
18. ~~SAMUEL GOLAN - International Boundaries Commission~~
19. ARCHIE COHEN - Board of Review, General Services Adminis-
tration
20. ISADOR RABI - Chief Advisor, Atomic Energy Commission
21. GENERAL CURTIS LE MAY - Head, U.S. Strategic Air Com-
mand (Our first line of defense)
22. ALFRED KATZIN - Head, U.N. Personnel
23. SAM ADLER - Chairman, U.M.T. Advisory Committee
24. GENERAL LYMAN LEMNITZER - Commander of OUR EN-
TIRE FORCES in Far East
25. FRANK HEINTZLEMAN - Governor of Alaska (See Alaska
Mental Health Bill, H.R. 6376)

(The above information is a matter of public record)

*Were there no capable Christian Americans available
to fill these high Presidential appointments?*

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease *[Signature]*

DATE: March 31, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones *[Signature]*SUBJECT: MRS.
2217 COTA AVENUE
LONG BEACH 10, CALIFORNIA

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By letter dated March 24, 1958, to the Director, captioned individual indicated her shock at reading Chapter 19 of the Director's book, "Masters of Deceit." The tenor of her letter and the enclosure listing Jews appointed by the President indicate that she is anti-Jewish.

Bufiles reflect no information identifiable with Mrs.
 of Long Beach, California.

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RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the bigoted nature of this communication, it is recommended that the letter not be acknowledged.

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March 31, 1958

Mr. [REDACTED]
Box 114
North Falmouth, Massachusetts

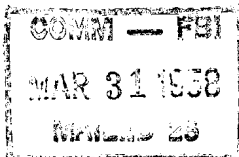
Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you very much for your note of
March 24, 1958, regarding my book, "Masters of Deceit."

Your kind remarks and desire to be of service to your
country are most heartening, and I appreciate the interest
which prompted you to write.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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NOTE: Bureau files reflect no record identifiable with [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] of Massachusetts.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mon. Mar. 24, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of
Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Jones
Mr. Clayton
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Miss Holmes
Miss Gandy

Dear Sir:

Just a short note from an ordinary American citizen.

My wife and I have just finished reading - Masters of Deceit - I ordered it last week from the Old Corner Book Store, in Boston and received it in four days.

Please accept our heartfelt appreciation and also in return for this understanding, we will try harder still to promote the good citizenship which every American should have.

In conclusion, if the Bureau should ever need the use of an ordinary American, we both will be ready and willing to try and help in our small way.

Sincerely,

s/

[Redacted Signature]

Box 114
North Falmouth, Mass.

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MAR 26 1958

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Mon, May. 24, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely,

[Redacted]

[Redacted]

Box 114
North Falmouth
Mass

April 1, 1958

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Mr. [redacted]
150 Beechview Avenue
Jamestown, New York

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Dear Mr. [redacted]

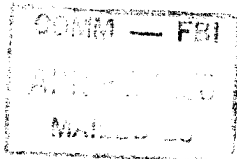
Your thoughtful note of March 25, 1958, has been received, and I sincerely appreciate your interest in my book, "Masters of Deceit."

Your generous comments are most heartening, and I do hope that you will have an opportunity to bring your four youngsters to FBI Headquarters this year. If I am in my office at the time of your call, I will be happy to see you.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director



1 - Holloman - Enclosure

Please note possible visit this year by Mr. [redacted] and his four children. Bureau files reflect no information identifiable with Mr. [redacted] of Jamestown, New York.

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The Lincolnshire

CHARLES AND BEACON STREETS
BOSTON 14, MASS.

Sherrard Hotels
under Same Management
PARKER HOUSE
HOTEL BELLEVUE
Boston
EASTERN SLOPE INN
North Conway, N.H.



March 25, 1958

Dear Mr Hoover,

I finally had time to read
The F.B.I. Story and Masters of
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efficiency of you and your de-
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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

The Lincolnshire
Charles and Beacon Streets
Boston 14, Mass.

March 25, 1958

Dear Mr. Hoover,

I finally had time to read The F. B. I. Story and Masters of Deceit and I

was, of course, impressed by the integrity and efficiency of you and your department. However, the thing that stands out in these stories is the fact that you have always been mindful of the rights of the individual as provided in our constitution. Even during the most critical period of the last war when, as a matter of expediency, you would not have been criticized for disregarding certain "due processes," you insisted on protecting those safeguards in our constitution.

I hope within the year, to bring my four youngsters to Washington and have them visit the Bureau. Perhaps at that time they may have the opportunity of meeting you, one of the finest Americans.

Sincerely yours,

s/

150 Beechview Ave.
Jamestown, N. Y.

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Mr. Nease ✓
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150 Bachueer Ave
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March 27, 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. BOARDMAN
MR. BELMONT
MR. NEASE

Last Friday evening while attending the Attorney General's reception for the United States Attorneys, in conversation with Congressman Kenneth B. Keating of New York, he advised me that that day he had been visited by a group of students of the Friends School and during his discussion with them several of the students inquired as to where they could turn for the real truth about communism in the United States.

Congressman Keating stated that the recent book entitled "Masters of Deceit" was the best analysis and text upon this subject. The Congressman stated he was immediately met with the expression from several of the students that they had been addressed by John Gates, who was formerly editor of the "Daily Worker" and who had characterized the book "Masters of Deceit" as being a tissue of lies, misrepresentations, falsehoods and distortions.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Ft Worth Texas
March 21, 1958.

Dear Mr Hoover.

I have recently read your book
"Masters of Deceit". Sir, I am
somewhat puzzled over Chapter 19,
"The Communist Attack on Judaism".
My knowledge of the overall
picture, is the reason that I am
puzzled. I have been studying
Communism in America for a
good many years. I will enclose
a few samples, of what I mean.
These few have come to my desk
since I have read the book. So you
can imagine the information
that I have gained on the subject
in the last 25 years. Will you
be kind enough to inform me
if the enclosed information is
correct, or incorrect. I do not
hear from you repudiating this
information. I will assume that
it is true. I have discussed

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Fort Worth, Texas
March 21, 1958

Mr. L. son	
Mr. Boardman	
Mr. Belmont	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Nease	
Mr. Parsons	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Trotter	
Mr. Clayton	
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Miss Gandy	

Dear Mr. Hoover:

I have recently read your book "Masters of Deceit." Sir, I am somewhat puzzled over chapter 19, The Communist Attack on Judaism. My knowledge of the overall picture, is the reason that I am puzzled. I have been studying communism in America for a good many years. I will enclose a few samples of what I mean. These few have come to my desk since I have read the book. So you can imagine the information that I have gained on the subject in the last 25 years. Will you be kind enough to inform me if the enclosed information is correct, or incorrect? If I do not hear from you repudiating this information I will assume that it is true. I have discussed this book with several of my friends, who have read it. They are of the same opinion as I, on chapter 19.

Cordially,

s/Mrs. [redacted]
3560 Townsend Dr.
Fort Worth, Texas

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Jewish Group Critical of Zionist Move

HOUSTON, March 17 (AP).—The Zionist movement represents an obstacle to the achievement of peace in the Middle East, the American Council for Judaism said Sunday.

The council said in a resolution adopted unanimously that "we believe that American Jews can make a significant contribution (toward peace) making clear and definitive their rejection of the Jewish nationalist rights in and obligations to Israel with which Zionism seeks to endow them."

The resolution was passed on the final day of the 14th annual conference of the council which lasted four days.

"We urge Americans of all faiths," the council said, "to reject the Zionist-fostered concept that the state of Israel is in any sense a fulfillment of Biblical prophesy or the real or fancied home land of American Jews."

A budget of \$500,000 was adopted by the delegates for this year. The money is to be used to carry out the council's philanthropic affairs, education and religious activities.

The council is an organization which believes that Americans of Jewish faith are Jews by religion and Americans by nationality. It stresses the cultural, national, civic and political integration of Americans of Jewish faith into American society.

Alex J. Geisenberger of Dallas and Mrs. Maurice L. Goldman of San Francisco were elected national vice presidents; Clarence L. Coleman Jr. of Chicago and Henry S. Moyer of New York City were elected to the national board, the governing body of the council; Harold Wineburgh of Dallas, was elected as vice president of the Southwest region, and Walter May of Los Angeles was elected vice president of the Western region.

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ENCLOSURE

HEADQUARTERS

JOHN G. CROMMELIN
The Patriots' Candidate
For GOVERNOR

P.O.Box 441
Wetumpka, Alabama
March 6, 1958

Fellow American:

Did you know that Rabbi Stephen Wise, the outstanding so-called Jew of the 20th century, and former president of the World Jewish Congress stated, "Some call it Communism but I call it Judaism"?

Has it ever occurred to you that the greatest threat to the very existence of what we call our "American way of life" is not Russian Communism but a "hidden force" right here in the good old USA with headquarters in New York and Washington?

Do you realize that the fiendish plot to integrate us with the negro is financed and master-minded by this "hidden force", the Communist-Jewish Conspiracy? Do you realize that the president of the NAACP is not a negro but a Jew, named Arthur Spingarn? Do you realize that on a per capita basis the "hidden force" has concentrated more of its subversive propaganda, money, interest, and subversive agents on Alabama than perhaps any other State in the Union? Do you realize that if we real Americans expose and defeat these Anti-Christ conspirators that not only will we save our children and ourselves but that we will rightfully earn the undying gratitude of all White Christians throughout the civilized world? And do you realize that the only peaceful way to prevent the Anti-Christ Conspirators from destroying us is to elect political representatives who know the origin, nature and aims of the Communist-Jewish Conspiracy and who cannot be bribed or silenced by the Communist-Jewish money, Communist-Jewish publicity, and Communist-Jewish political pressure?

Join our rising tide of patriots throughout these United States of America. Let us help and support each other. We Alabamians will clean out the subversive influences in our great State and return control of our State government to White Christian Patriots. When we break the back of the Communist-Jewish Conspiracy in Alabama, the proof to patriots of every State in the Union that "it can be done" will start a chain-reaction that will restore our Constitutional form of government. Continue in the same political rut with "tin-horn" politicians dancing to the tune piped by the Communist-Jewish Conspirators and within another four years I can guarantee you that we will pass the point-of-no-return!

Small contributions will provide the printed ammunition necessary to get our message to all voters. Help us now with the enclosed envelope. Ensure security for your children and mine by informing your friends. Take a firm stand, now!

~~There are one hundred and thirty-seven million White Christian~~
Patriots in this great nation of ours. What are we afraid of?

Sincerely,

John G. Crommelin
John G. Crommelin

~~Some Of Your Fellow Congressmen Have Already REBELLED . . .~~

STATE TIMES, JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1958

ABERNETHY WILL SPURN B'NAI B'RITH

WASHINGTON (UP) — Rep. Thomas Abernethy (D-Miss.) vowed today to boycott a dinner given for Congressmen by the anti-defamation league of B'Nai B'Rith.

The league has announced it will give the "1957 America's Democratic Legacy Siler Medallion" to Congressmen because of "distinguished contributions to the enrichment of our heritage of freedom."

Abernethy said the medals were for "establishing a Federal Gestapo to police the South and make the white folks and Negroes amalgamate."

He said he would skip the dinner and would "be at home eating a free dinner of another sort—country ham and sorghum molasses which were sent by an ole segregationist from . . . Mississippi."

AT LEFT

is a photographic reproduction of a news item from the Feb. 13, 1958, issue of the Jackson, Mississippi, State Times.

AT RIGHT

is a photographic reproduction of a news item from the Feb. 7, 1958, issue of the Columbia, South Carolina, State.

Hemphill Hits B'nai B'rith, Wants No Part of Award

By The State's Washington
Correspondent

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6 — Fifth District Rep. Robert W. Hemphill, in a blistering letter to the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, today asked that his name be excluded as a recipient of an award to the 85th Congress for its enactment of the civil rights law.

The league plans to present Congress and several individuals with achievement awards at a special ceremony March 3. The congress-

sional award is in recognition of passage of the civil rights bill.

"If your award is given to the 85th Congress, please do not include me as a recipient of that award," Hemphill wrote the Anti-Defamation League's secretary.

"I recognize the civil rights legislation enacted by a majority of the members of the 85th Congress for what it is.

"It was conceived for political expediency, nurtured in the inequity of hypocrisy, dangled before the various races of people in order to incite some to conduct or philosophies not in keeping with their best interests, and to plague others with the threat of interference by, and tyranny from the courts of our land," Hemphill charged.

"It was the result of mistaken ideas on the part of some, communistic design on the part of others, and a lust for power on the part of a few. That these things are not American, every man will agree.

"I fought the passage of this bill with every power at my command and had I the opportunity, would do so again. The conditions which were spawned from the use of federal troops at Little Rock, Ark., have emphasized the injustices under this sort of legislation. The difficulties presently existing in Brooklyn, N.Y., spotlight the differences in treatment on a sectional basis by those who control the affairs of this land.

"To all those who can accept this award I have neither criticism nor condemnation, but I do not accept it and will not accept it as a member of the 85th Congress."

. . . Won't you also ignore the summons to accept a free dinner and "award" from the self-styled "Anti-Defamation League?"

The Southern states, already seething under an unconstitutional attack on their public school systems are in danger of being further divided along religious lines — and no one knows it better than the many Jews who have lived in peace and prosperity in the South. They, who stand to suffer most, blame their predicament largely on the "Anti-Defamation League," as proven by an editorial in the *National Jewish Post and Opinion*, July 26, 1957.

In an editorial commenting on a statement issued by Alex Miller, "Anti-Defamation League" official, the *Post and Opinion* said: "The Jew in the South is largely the middle man, and as such he is in a vulnerable position. If his understanding of Jewish precepts moves him to favor desegregation, he must not permit these views to be made public. That is why he implores, as Mr. Miller stated, the ADL and other national Jewish organizations not to take a public stand on the issue."

"Anti-Defamation League" Defames Loyal Americans Who Discuss Its Policies

Facts show that loyal American citizens who dare to speak or write about the "Anti-Defamation League's" racial agitation in their communities are branded by the ADL smear-bund as "anti-Semites." Facts also show that the "Anti-Defamation League" is engaged in round-the-clock racial agitation — and brags about it in non-Southern areas. The *OREGON JOURNAL* for Dec. 9, 1954, printed a report on a speech by Leonard Schroeter, director of the Washington Regional Office of the "Anti-Defamation League," saying, "The Anti-Defamation League, he said, was working throughout the South to make integration possible as quickly as possible."

The *OREGON JOURNAL* article identified the ADL's Schroeter as "... a former National Association for the Advancement of Colored People attorney who helped prepare briefs for the desegregation case before the Supreme Court ..."

Abundant evidence proves the close connections between the NAACP and the ADL and the efforts of the ADL to promote the NAACP's disruptive program. Instead of admitting or denying these facts, however, the ADL consistently attacks those who dare to mention them as "anti-Semites," thus raising the bugaboo of "religious bigotry" or "intolerance."

AND THE ADL BURNS BOOKS

Americans who are concerned with the safeguarding of our priceless American liberties are disturbed — and have been disturbed for years — with the censorship and bookburning activities of the "Anti-Defamation League."

As far back as Dec. 13, 1933, Richard E. Gutstadt, Director of the "Anti-Defamation League," wrote a letter to publishers of Jewish newspapers, urging them not to review the important book, *Conquest of a Continent*, by the great American scholar, Madison Grant. Gutstadt's letter said, "We are interested in stifling the sale of this book."

More recently, Henry Edward Schultz, National Chairman of the "Anti-Defamation League," wrote a letter on Oct. 4, 1955, to Lt. Gen. George E. Stratemeyer, USAF(Ret.), in which he practically demanded that the great U. S. Air Force hero withdraw his en-

On Sept. 15, 1957, the *New York Times* reported that the famed resort hotel, the *Homestead* of Hot Springs, Virginia, had closed its New York office, as a result of a suit brought by a Mrs. David Kaplan — with the assistance of the "Anti-Defamation League." Mrs. Kaplan accused the *Homestead* of refusing to accept her reservation because she is of the Jewish faith, and the *Times* report stated, "Mrs. Kaplan enlisted the help of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League when she made her complaint."

Apparently there is no end to the "ADL's" activities, nor to its willingness to participate in actions calculated to call attention to anything which may further divide the American people.

Gen. Stratemeyer rejected Mr. Schultz' impertinence and in his reply asked, "Is this a veiled threat to my free expression and thoughts?" He further told Schultz, "Your letter is the most outrageous communication I have ever received in my life ..."

The "Anti-Defamation League" has been repeatedly accused, publicly, of attempting to exert the power of censorship over American literature of all kinds, and of smearing writers whose opinions do not adhere to the "ADL Line," which for all practical purposes is virtually parallel to the Communist Party line. It has yet to bring action against anyone who so accuses it, though it maintains batteries of lawyers.

WHAT ABOUT THIS CHARGE?

In his outstanding book, *Know Your Enemy*, Maj. Robert H. Williams, retired military intelligence officer, has this to say about the "Anti-Defamation League's" chief counsel, Arnold Forster:



ARNOLD FORSTER

"We must remember that the author of the ADL's *A Measure of Freedom*, latest 'black book' of smear against American anti-Communist leaders, was prepared by a man said to be a Communist spy. The man goes by the name of Arnold Forster; he is head of the Civil Rights Committee, the big wing of the League. Joseph Kamp, one of the best informed investigators in Washington, told Congress:

"If you can get President Truman to let you look at the FBI files, you will discover that Forster's right name is Fastenberg, and that he was a member of the Communist spy 'Ring'."

"Congressional Record, June, 1950"

It is true that Arnold Forster's name was changed by court order on Oct. 26, 1938. What are his and the ADL's comments on the clearly-worded accusation made by Joseph Kamp and quoted by Maj. Robert H. Williams?

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

9:49AM March 27, 1958

Mr. [redacted]
National Economic Council, Inc.,
telephoned through operator, New
York City. He stated he wished
to quote "Masters of Deceit" and
arrangements were made for him
to speak to Mr. Wick in Mr. Nease's
office.

Mr. Tolson ☒
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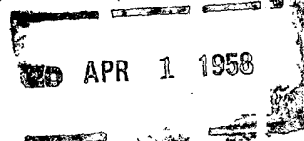
Mr. Wick has advised that Mr. [redacted] stated he would
like to review the Director's book and quote some
1000 words in pages 3 through 9 in their April 1st
newsletter which is circulated to some 5000
industrialists. They intend to suggest to recipients
of the newsletter that they buy copies of "Masters of
Deceit."

Mr. Wick told Mr. [redacted] that he should take this up
with Mr. [redacted] of Henry Holt and Company and
any such arrangements should be made with Mr. [redacted]
Mr. Wick thanked Mr. [redacted] for calling.

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Several months ago, this reporter determined that he could render a distinct public service by helping to make available to our listeners intelligent books by highly qualified American authors which, because they dealt with the real facts about the threat to America, were otherwise difficult, if not impossible to obtain for the simple reason that those books were, in truth, suppressed by the political left in co-operation with those who, wittingly or otherwise, chose to serve the political left by refusing to make such books available to the American people.

For the past several weeks, as our listeners know, we have been rendering this service with two outstanding books:

"No Wonder We Are Losing," by Judge Robert Morris, and "The Pentagon Case," by Colonel Victor J. Fox.

Both authors have been recent guests on our broadcasts.

Requests for copies of those broadcasts, like requests for copies of their books, continue to roll into our office each day, thereby proving, once again, this reporter's perpetual thesis that the American people are desperately thirsty for the facts - for the truth - which as Christ, Himself, promised, shall make men free.

The truth, and certainly the truth about America's presently precarious position in the communist-threatened world, and how America was brought to this moment, is never very palatable.

Yet, if that present threat to America is to be removed, if America is to remain free, if communism is to be turned back, and if the 950-million human beings whom Communism has been permitted to enslave are to be returned to the freedom which their Creator intended that they were to enjoy - if all this which must be done is to be done, then the people - the American people, especially - must have the truth because America remains the last bastion; there will be no refuge beyond America, no place to hide.

Thus, indeed, will we continue in that interest to make available to our listeners, as long as the demand continues, "No Wonder We Are Losing" and "The Pentagon Case."

Simply address your order for either, or for both, to this reporter, care of the station to which you are listening.

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The price for "No Wonder We Are Losing" is two-dollars, fifty-cents. The price for "The Pentagon Case" is three-dollars, ninety-five cents, with a special price of two-dollars, ninety-five cents for veterans or for those who wish to give a copy of the "Pentagon Case" to a person now serving in an American uniform.

That's two-dollars-fifty-cents for "No Wonder We Are Losing," and three-dollars-ninety-five-cents for "The Pentagon Case," with a special veterans and serviceman's price of only Two-dollars-ninety-five cents for the latter.

With this as background, it is with the greatest of pride that we are tonight permitted to announce that our listeners may now also order, through us, their copies of the greatest and most authoritative book on the infamy of communism, written by the greatest, best-qualified and most dedicated American authority on that subject.

The book: "Masters of Deceit."

The author: J. Edgar Hoover, the distinguished Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Actually, a book on Communism by J. Edgar Hoover should require no recommendation to any thinking American.

But, to give our listeners some idea of the importance of what Mr. Hoover has set down beneath the covers of this great book - which is actually a textbook on the vital subject of Communist deceit, here is the Table of Contents:

"Who is Your Enemy?"

"How Communism Began," under which J. Edgar Hoover recites the

following history:

"Marx - And The 'Science' of Communism,"

"Lenin - And the Russian Revolution,"

"Stalin - A Fallen Idol,"

"How U.S. Communism Began, 1919-21,"

"The Party Grows Up."

Under the heading, "The Communist Appeal in the United States,"

Mr. Hoover answers these burning questions:

"Who Are the Communists?"

"What Do U.S. Communists Claim?"

"Why Do People Become Communists?"

"Why People Break With Communism."

As for what Mr. Hoover classifies as "Life In the Party," his book, "Masters of Deceit," deals with these subjects:

"How The Party Is Organized,"

"This Is The Party!"

"Making (the) Communist Man," and -

"Communist Discipline."

Under the subject, "The Communist Trojan Horse In Action," Mr. Hoover tells the reader:

"Communist Strategy and Tactics,"

"Mass Agitation,"

"Infiltration,"

"The Communist Front,"

"Communism and Minorities," and -

"The Communist Attack on Judaism."

As for the all-important subject of "The Communist Underground," J. Edgar Hoover instructs the reader in "How the Underground Works," about "Espionage and Sabotage," and about "What...You (can) Do" about it.

In "Conclusion," Mr. Hoover discusses "Communism: A False Religion," and then tells the reader, "How To Stay Free."

To all of this, in a skilled effort to further create an understanding of Communist deceit, J. Edgar Hoover adds an extremely-helpful "Glossary" of "terms frequently used by communists; a "Bibliography Of Major Communist 'Classics,'" which highlights the works of Marx, Engles, Lenin and Stalin who set down "the fundamental principles and program of Communism," and, to this, Mr. Hoover adds "Appendices" which give the reader ready access to the following:

"Key Dates In Lives Of (the) Communist 'Big Four'" whom we have just named; "International Communist Organizations And Publications;" "Communism In Russia," and "Communism In The United States."

Here, then, in this magnificent textbook, "Masters Of Deceit," by J. Edgar Hoover, is an unprecedented opportunity for all Americans, no matter how much they believe they may know about Communism, the Communists, and their "Deceit," here's the opportunity, indeed, to gain what actually amounts to a basic education as set down in non-inflammatory and non-political terms that are both factual and historic by J. Edgar Hoover the great American patriot who has dedicated 38 consecutive years of his life to a scholarly scientific study and analysis of International Communism's Kremlin-directed effort to destroy America and control the entire world.

Every American, of every age, in every walk of life, in every social category, should consider this as "must" reading for himself - and, certainly, it should be considered as such by the too many self-styled "intellectuals" and "liberals" among us - too many of whom prowl about our nation's campuses, spewing into young minds the Moscow-serving venom of destructive confusion that if Communism, at last, is to be considered a threat at all, it is to be considered merely as a threat in the sense that Communism is to be viewed as an

atomic-hydrogen-and-space-age revisitation of "Russian Imperialism" and nothing more, nothing more.

And, toward the same essential understanding, every self-professed "liberal" and "intellectual" and "progressive," would render himself a particularly distinct service by studying, carefully and well, J. Edgar Hoover's proof that "Communists are not liberals...that Communism is the very opposite of liberalism;" that "Communists are not progressives," but, rather, that "Communists are barbarians in modern dress, using both club and blood purge;" that "Communists are not social reformers," but, rather, that "the communists detest democratic reforms," and that "The communists do not believe in democracy," despite the fact that "The word, 'democracy' is one of the communists' favorite Aesopian terms," and, in addition to all of these important facts of Communist life as recorded by J. Edgar Hoover, who, indeed, will be attacked, of course, by his old foes - the communists and their fellow travelers, and their dupes and their stupes and their sympathizers - nonetheless, this reporter would most emphatically commend to the attention of those who too-long have been so tragically misguided to the contrary of what Mr. Hoover reveals, that, and we quote Mr. Hoover again, "Communists are not American," but, quite the contrary, that "the communist movement was born abroad, was imported into the United States, and grew up under the personal direction of Russian leaders in Moscow;" to which Mr. Hoover adds: (and note this particularly well, ladies and gentlemen, and particularly students - note it well)

"How can communism be American when it employs every form of treason and trickery to bring about ultimate domination of the United States by a foreign power?"

To this, J. Edgar Hoover adds that, while "The American people, fortunately, are now more than ever aware of the danger of communism... a great damage has been done, and is still being done, in failing to

understand the true nature of communism."

And he says, with great wisdom and great directness:

"Its present menace grows in direct ratio to the rising feeling that it is a small, dissident element and need not be feared. As we relax our protection," says Mr. Hoover," and ease up on security measures, we move closer and closer to a fool's paradise." (End quote J. Edgar Hoover.)

This reporter can find no more schooled nor positive and concise reply to the current Moscow-serving propaganda that, in the United States, the Communist Party is badly depleted in strength, in numbers, in determination and in influence.

Indeed, nothing could better serve the very cause of Kremlin-directed Communism against us than acceptance of that Kremlin-fashioned-and-directed propaganda.

And, among those to whom we would especially commend the most careful study and consideration of J. Edgar Hoover's new book, "Masters of Deceit," published today, is every student, and every teacher whose mind has recently been soiled by the outpourings of that red-serving line from such lecturers as former Daily Worker Editor John Gates.

We would also heartily recommend a complete and careful absorption of the valuable contents of this book by the members of the United States Supreme Court, the President of the United States and all who advise him in matters concerning the Communist threat, both from without and from within.

And, indeed, as Mr. Hoover's book makes clear, the threat is here, badly, against us, within.

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So, effective with this broadcast, our listeners may obtain their copies of J. Edgar Hoover's great book, "Masters of Deceit," simply by sending their order to this reporter, care of the station to which you are listening, and by enclosing their check or money order

for five-dollars. (Five Dollars).

This, we continue, as a public service to those who may find it difficult to find Mr. Hoover's book on some of the bookshelves that are showing books by Alger Hiss or by Howard Fast.

At that price, we assure you, that every reader will gain for himself the most inexpensive education into the true infamy and threat of communism which has ever been offered to the American people, who not only have needed J. Edgar Hoover all these years, and will need him tonight, but the brilliance which he has displayed, the dedication and patriotic service which he has displayed right through the writing of this book, and the opening of himself, thereby, to further attack.

And, under the heading of headline application of this communist "Deceit," as now suffered in Indonesia, the United States Navy announces tonight that two destroyers and a cruiser are in Singapore and "available" to evacuate American nationals from strife-torn Sumatra "if so requested by the State Department."

However, a clarifying statement now adds: "These ships, as are all other units of the United States Navy, are always available to carry out U.S. government policy - including the evacuation of American nationals - if so requested by the State Department."

The big American-owned Caltex Oil Company, announced it was evacuating 50 American, British and Australian families to Singapore at the request of the Central Indonesian government in Jakarta.

The Oil Company's action came as the communist-infiltrated government of Indonesia, the Sokarno Regime, sent troops, planes and warships in a reported three-pronged attack on anti-communist rebel forces in Central Sumatra.

Earlier reports said the government forces occupied Bengkalis Island off Sumatra's east coast Friday, apparently in a prelude to the big attack later.

A rebel broadcast claims tonight that Caltex Oil Company has agreed not to pay royalties to red-backed Central government until the dispute with the anti-red insurgents is settled.

And, meanwhile, tonight, please note - and note well - that the Chinese communist regime is warning the United States through the communist propaganda outlets, that the United States of America must cease what the red regime calls its "interference" in Indonesia's internal affairs or "bear full responsibility for the consequences."

We've been warned.

Good night.

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March 28, 1958

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Mr. [REDACTED]
2215 Ohio Street
Quincy, Illinois

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Dear Mr. [REDACTED]

Thank you for your letter postmarked March 21, 1958, with enclosures. It was good of you to comment so favorably concerning "Masters of Deceit," and I am grateful for your good words regarding the FBI and my administration of its activities.

In response to your request, I am enclosing a card bearing my autograph.



Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosure

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Dear Mr. Hoover:

You have done a remarkable thing in your book 'Master of Deceit'. But then you set your jawing tone on, and here you, being a lawbreaker, get in dealing with communists. And I am sure it is greatly appreciated by your fellow Americans.

I would appreciate having your autograph on the enclosed card.

Mr. Tolson	_____
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Dear Mr. Hoover:

You have done a remarkable thing in your book 'Masters of Deceit.' But then you and your organization are, and have been, doing a tremendous job in dealing with communism. And I am sure it is greatly appreciated by your fellow Americans.

I would appreciate having your autograph on the enclosed card.

Sincerely,

/s/

[Redacted Signature Box]

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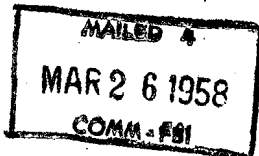
Dear Mrs.

Your letter of March 23, 1958, together with enclosure, has been received, and I want you to know I am deeply grateful for your kindness in writing.

I am certainly pleased that you found "Masters of Deceit" to be of interest. You may be sure I am most appreciative of your generous remarks concerning this book, as well as for your thoughtfulness in giving me the benefit of your observations and suggestions.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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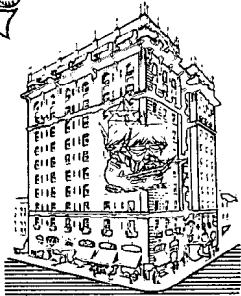
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JUDGE FLORIDA HOSPITALITY BY THESE FINE HOTELS
KLOEPEL HOTELS



HOTEL MAYFLOWER
JACKSONVILLE



NEW HOTEL JEFFERSON
JACKSONVILLE



HOTEL GEORGE WASHINGTON
JACKSONVILLE



HOTEL PENNSYLVANIA
WEST PALM BEACH



HOTEL GEORGE WASHINGTON
WEST PALM BEACH

Hotel George Washington

On the Shores of Lake Worth
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

March 23, 1958

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, F. B. I.,
Washington, D. C.
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Once a Guest is Always a Guest

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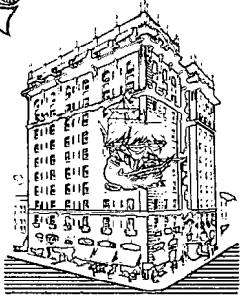
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I should like to add ~~the~~ follows to your closing line on p. 337 —

"With God's help, and J. Edgar Hoover and all his courageous and loyal men,"

God Bless You and our U. S. A.

Sincerely,

Once a Guest is Always a Guest

(Mrs.)

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Hotel George Washington
West Palm Beach, Florida

March 23, 1958

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/s/ (Mrs.)

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Menace Of Communism In The U.S.

Communism has produced a vast literature. That literature has now been notably enriched, with J. Edgar Hoover's newly-published "Masters of Deceit" (Henry Holt & Company, New York: \$5.00).

Mr. Hoover's book carries the subtitle "The Story of Communism in America and How to Fight It." No man is more familiar with that story. He was made Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation during the Coolidge Administration, has been retained in office by every President since, and has done an outstanding job in keeping the bureau free of political influence, inefficiency and corruption. And, in recent years, Mr. Hoover and the Bureau have become more and more involved with the Communist conspiracy.

The purpose of "Masters of Deceit" is intensely practical. It is to explain the facts about communism—what it is, how it works, what its aims are, the dangers it poses, and what loyal Americans must do to protect their freedom. Mr. Hoover provides a short account of communism's beginnings, and goes on to explain who American communists are and why they adopt the ideology. He shows how the party is organized, and deals with its subtle and devious strategy and tactics. Espionage and sabotage—weapons with which trained communists are extraordinarily adept—are given careful attention.

Mr. Hoover is particularly concerned with the danger of discounting the menace of communism in the United States. It is true that Party membership has declined. It reached its peak of 80,000 in 1944, dropped to 22,600 in 1955, and has gone down farther since then. However, no less an authority than William Z. Foster has said "... we no longer measure the importance of revolutionary organizations by size. In some places where there are only one or two men, more results are obtained than where they have larger organizations. . . ." If conditions are ripe, a comparative handful can take over a nation—and they have done exactly that time and time again. To quote Mr. Hoover: "Under communism, a tiny minority, perhaps 10 to 20 men, would rule the United States. An open dictatorship called the 'dictatorship of the proletariat' would be established." Communist Party henchmen would take over, and opposition would be ruthlessly liquidated.

What can an individual do about the danger? Mr. Hoover's answer is "a lot." He must know the answers to communism's false claims. If what appears to be subversive activity comes to his attention he should report it, sticking to the facts, to the nearest FBI office—and the FBI, incidentally, is as much interested in protecting civil rights, including the right to hold unpopular opinions, as it is in combatting those who would destroy us. He should be alert and informed. No one can fight communism if he doesn't know what to look for. In this connection, "Masters of Deceit" contains a glossary, in which terms frequently used by communists are listed and defined, which will be especially valuable to those whose familiarity with the movement is sketchy.

Finally, "Masters of Deceit" makes for first class reading as well as for first class education against a clear and present danger. It justifies the publisher's claim that it "is one of the most important books of our time."

The Palm Beach Post
Palm Beach, Fla.
March 21, 1958

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NATIONAL HEALTH FOUNDATION
143 NORTH BIXEL STREET
LOS ANGELES 26, CALIF.

March 25 1958

J. Edgar Hoover
Director Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington 25 D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover

I am enclosing a clipping of a letter that was in to days Mirror-News which I thought you might like to have. In writing your book "Masters of Deceit" I believe that you will be remembered in history as one of the great men of our times who had the wisdom and foresight to warn our Nation of the dangers of Communism in time to avoid our being taken over by it. May your reward be many more years of good health and contentment for having given the best years of your life in such loyal devotion and service to your country.

Yours truly

/s/

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Yours Truly,

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Masters of Deceit

I have just seen your review of "Masters of Deceit" which appeared in The Mirror News on March 10, and I did not want to let the opportunity pass without expressing my appreciation.

Complacency is one of our greatest dangers as far as Communism is concerned, and articles such as yours certainly help to alert the American people. Your support is most encouraging.

J. EDGAR HOOVER,
Director, FBI,
Washington, D.C.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Hoover's book (Holt: \$5) details the past, present and future of the U.S. campaign against Communism.

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March 28, 1958

AIRMAIL

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EX-136 Miss [redacted]
Special Service Department
The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe
Railway Company
121 East Sixth Street
Los Angeles 14, California

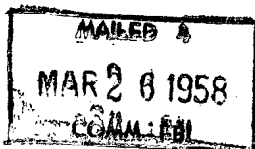
Dear Miss [redacted]

Your letter of March 26, 1958, forwarding a copy of "Masters of Deceit" was received today, and I sincerely appreciate the interest which prompted you to write.

It has been a pleasure to autograph the book to Mr. [redacted] your Special Service Department, and it is being returned by airmail. I do hope it reaches you in time so it can be presented to him on his birthday.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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NOTE: Bureau files favorable regarding Mr. [redacted]. He is on the Bureau mailing list to receive the FBI LEB and the UCR.

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In Reply Please Quote

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Los Angeles, Calif., March 26, 1958

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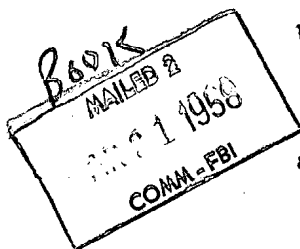
Dear Sir:

If convenient, would you kindly autograph the enclosed copy of your new book "Masters of Deceit" to Mr. [redacted] Special Service, Santa Fe Railway. We have purchased this book for Mr. [redacted] birthday on March 31st and your personal autograph will certainly enhance our gift.

Return of the book as soon as possible would also be greatly appreciated - Thank you very much!

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Secretary to Mr. [redacted]
c/o Special Service Dept.
121 E. 6th Street
Los Angeles 14, Calif.



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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Nease

DATE: March 28, 1958

FROM : M. A. Jones

SUBJECT: "MASTERS OF DECEIT"

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We have reviewed the twenty-fifth installment of the King Features syndication furnished by Henry Holt. It is taken from Chapter 21, dealing with espionage.

As in past installments, the text has been shortened, changed at points and some sentences reworded. The general theme, however, remains. We have made some minor changes in consultation with the Domestic Intelligence Division.

In addition, we have reviewed a four-page biographical sketch of the Director written by [] staff writer for King Features. This sketch was forwarded to us by Henry Holt and is being furnished by King Features as an optional piece for subscribing newspapers. We have made a few changes.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter over Mr. Tolson's signature be forwarded to Mr. Buckley of Henry Holt, enclosing the corrected text of the 25th installment and the Director's biographical sketch.

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Ans. []
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A letter of appreciation dated 3-31-58 to Mr. [] has been prepared for the Director's signature.

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

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Mr. William E. Buckley
Henry Holt and Company, Inc.
383 Madison Avenue
New York 17, New York

aka. "Bill"

Dear Bill:

The twenty-fifth installment of the King Features syndication is being returned herewith. We have marked suggested changes on the text.

I am also enclosing the corrected text of the article entitled "Mr. FBI" by [redacted] Mr. Hoover was very pleased and has written a letter of appreciation to Mr. [redacted]

Thank you also for handling the deletions from the caption of Picture #17 of the King Features material. We received the revised version and it is quite satisfactory now.

Sincerely,

Clyde

Clyde Tolson

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orig signed & mailed 3/31

NOTE: Buckley by letter dated 3-27-58 furnished Bureau 25th installment and article entitled "Mr. FBI" by [redacted] By letter dated 3-26-58 Buckley advised that he had requested King Features to delete two paragraphs dealing with attendance of Party members at the Lenin School from Picture #17 caption. He enclosed correspondence to and from King Features regarding it.

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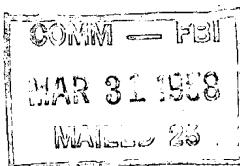
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Dear Mr.

Thank you for your letter of March 25,
1958, with enclosure, regarding my book, "Masters of
Deceit." Your kind comments and best wishes are certainly
appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover



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Henry Holt and Company, Inc. • PUBLISHERS

383 MADISON AVENUE...NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

VICE PRESIDENT

March 27, 1958

Mr. Clyde Tolson
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Room 5744
Department of Justice Bldg.
Washington 25, D.C.

Dear Clyde:

Enclosed herewith is installment #25 of King Features Syndicate's version of MASTERS OF DECEIT by J. Edgar Hoover, for your correction.

Enclosed also is a copy of a biography of Mr. Hoover prepared at request of some of the client papers which we would like to have you correct for any factual errors.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Bill

William E. Buckley

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March 31, 1958

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Mr.
2033 Woodbourne Avenue
Baltimore 14, Maryland

Dear Mr.

Thank you sincerely for the kind remarks
concerning "Masters of Deceit" in your letter of March 25,
1958. I am indeed grateful for your thoughtfulness in
writing as you did.

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Sincerely yours,

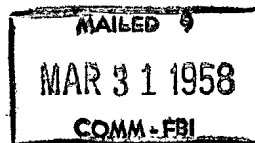
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MARCH 25, 1958

MR. J. EDGAR HOOVER, DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON 25, D.C.

DEAR MR. HOOVER:

YOUR RECENT BOOK 'MASTERS OF DECEIT' MERITS THE MOST SERIOUS STUDY, CONTEMPLATION AND ACTION BY EVERY CITIZEN OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. EVERY STUDENT IN OUR SCHOOLS SHOULD BE THOROUGHLY VERSED IN THE CONTENTS OF YOUR BOOK AND THE IMPLICATIONS THEREOF.

WRITING AS ONE WHO HAS SEEN MANY ASPECTS OF THE CONSPIRATORIAL WORKINGS OF THE CCCP AND ITS INSIDIOUS RAMIFICATIONS AT FIRST HAND HERE IN THE UNITED STATES. I CONGRATULATE YOU ON THE LUCID, CONCISE, STIMULATINGLY OBJECTIVE AND ACCURATE FACTUAL APPROACH YOU HAVE ACHIEVED IN YOUR BOOK.

I TRUST THAT THE MALIGNANT UNDERWORLD CANCER THAT HAS SO STRONGLY INSINUATED ITSELF INTO THIS COUNTRY, WILL RECEIVE THE SCHOLARLY AND INSPIRING TREATMENT THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN THE MALIGNANCY OF COMMUNISM.

WE KNOW THAT THE POSITIVE SPIRIT FOUNDED UPON THE HIGHEST IDEALS OF MORALITY AND ETHICS ENGENDERED THE POSITIVE ACTION BY WHICH OUR FOUNDING FATHERS CREATED IN THIS COUNTRY THE FAITH, THE HOPE, -- AND IN THE BROADEST SENSE OF THE WORD-- THE CHARITY THAT YET BURNS BRIGHTLY AS A BEACON FOR ALL HUMANITY. WE MUST ONCE AGAIN STRIKE A BLOW FOR LIBERTY!

WITH WARMEST REGARDS, I REMAIN,

SINCERELY YOURS,

[Redacted Signature]

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March 28, 1958

Mrs. [REDACTED]
5310 Little [REDACTED]
Arlington 7 [REDACTED]

DEAR MRS.

"Masters of Deceit" was received on March 27, 1958, and I want to say how I sincerely appreciate your kind remarks concerning the FBI and my book.

I am grateful for your support, and I earnestly hope that "Masters of Deceit" will help alert the public to the treacherous practices of these communists.

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OFFICE OF DIRECTOR
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Arlington, Va.
March 19, 1958

My dear Mr. Hoover,

In my 35 years I know I have not spent \$5.00 as wisely as I did when I purchased your new book "Masters of Deceit." In some small way I must tell you it is a wonderful & true account of Communism. it is my hope that every American will read this book, remember its contents & be alert to spot these misguided members of our society.

I am a member of the Arlington Ladies Book Review & Music Club. Our purpose is to alert our friends & neighbors of the terrible threat of communism to this county. I am happy to say that our membership is on the increase!

Mr. Hoover, may God protect you & your wonderful staff at the F. B. I.

Many thanks again for the wonderful contribution to the American people.

Sincerely,

s/ Mrs. [redacted]
5310 Little Falls Rd.
Arlington 7, Va.

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